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# The Editor's Page

## Sign Language Lessons on TV?

Lessons on lip-reading have recently appeared on western television screens. They may have been featured on video elsewhere, although this is the first reported instance.

A variety of programs for, by and about the deaf have been televised since the new medium gained acceptance. Church services, interviews and various other features have been screened in most sections of the nation.

This implied interest in the welfare of the deaf is a source of pleasure to THE SILENT WORKER. No other medium to date has given as much attention to the problems of the deaf in so short a length of time.

Why, we wonder, should there not be a televised course of instruction in the sign language similar to that now being provided in lip-reading? Relatives, friends and fellow workers of the deaf are constantly seeking means of attaining proficiency in the language. There are a number of deaf individuals who might improve their skill in its usage through such a course.

The idea is not as far fetched as it may seem at first glance. Much of the public opposition to the sign language and the manual alphabet of the deaf is based upon ignorance or misconception of its function and history. *Johnny Belinda* revealed a little of the beauty and grace inherent in the language of signs as properly employed. Public reaction to this glimpse was favorable in the main.

All in favor of such a series of lessons, please raise your hands—then scurry to those desks and write the program directors of your local television stations!

## Our New Silent Workers

The staff of the magazine has recently welcomed the advent of a number of new co-workers.

Paul Lange, our new foreign editor, has been hard at work on his new assignment for several months. The first evidence of his industry will appear in an early issue.

Mr. Lange received his M.A. degree from Gallaudet College in 1896, after graduating in 1892. During his last two years at Gallaudet, Mr. Lange assisted Dr. E. A. Fay in gathering marriage statistics of the deaf for Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. The summer following his graduation, he made translations from German magazines of the profession for Dr. Bell.

In 1905, at Mr. Lange's suggestion, the National Convention of Teachers of the Deaf at Morganton, N. C., went on record urging the widening of the scope of the United States Census covering the deaf and the blind. This suggestion was subsequently adopted.

For many years, Mr. Lange contributed to the *American Annals of the Deaf*, chiefly translations and reviews from the German.

In 1929, upon the founding of *Levana*, a German magazine devoted to the education and rehabilitation of the handicapped, Mr. Lange and Dr. Henry H. Goddard of Ohio State University were appointed associate editors for the U. S.

Mr. Lange was a teacher of the deaf for forty-two years, nine at Evansville, Ind., and thirty-three at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf. Of his five children, four have been teachers of the deaf. A grand-daughter also taught the deaf and married a teacher of the deaf.

Mrs. Helen L. Stewart and Elmer Long are our newest associate editors. Neither requires introduction to our readers, as each has frequently contributed to the magazine. The associates provide invaluable assistance for the editor in the gathering and polishing of material for our pages.

Not listed on our masthead, but active in the preparation of the magazine, is a new paste-up crew. The crew, under the foremanship of Toivo A. Lindholm, efficiently handles the scissors-and-paste-pot stage of publication. The men have requested that their names not be added to the official roster of staff members, as the composition of the crew may vary from month to month. Those most active at present include Max Thompson, Elmer Long, George (Bub) Dietrich and Herbert Schreiber. With the exception of Long, the men are printers by trade.

There may be further additions and alterations in the staff set-up in the near future, all directed toward the goal of reducing the proportionate burden upon each staff member and assistant. "Many hands make light work," the saying goes. Nowhere is this more true than in the monthly publication of a magazine which is entirely a spare-time project on the part of all concerned.

While greeting new helpers, whose services we indeed appreciate, we must not forget our great debt to the many who have been producing regularly and without fanfare each month—staff members, columnists and voluntary contributors. Each, in his way, makes a vital contribution to the success of the magazine.

## Preview of Coming Attractions

Several new features for readers of the WORKER are in the planning stage. In addition to the foreign news section previously mentioned, coming months will witness the addition of several new departments.

A revision is under way in the presentation of poetry and humor. In response to popular demand, an exchange department for deaf parents of normally hearing children will soon be presented in our pages. No such aid is in existence, although it cannot be denied that these parents are faced with problems unlike those of any others. The department will provide an opportunity for mothers and fathers who have been "through the mill" to advise young parents who are meeting these problems for the first time.

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# Join Marjorie Klugman in an Interview With HOWARD L. TERRY One of America's Foremost Authors

MEETING AND TALKING with Howard L. Terry, the eminent deaf poet, is a thrilling and rewarding experience. A person cannot help but become enthusiastic when he sees what Mr. Terry has accomplished in his seventy-three years as poet and author. Howard Terry has received wide recognition in the hearing world. His literary achievements stand on their own merits; there is no special dispensation because the author happens to be deaf. As we browse through his works, however, we find hints that his deafness had much to do with the way he wrote and the subjects he wrote about. As he says in the preface to "Sung in Silence," he lived in a world apart "and was attracted to and impressed by things that hardly disturbed the minds of others." Thus, when we read his works we find that his is not run-of-the-mill verse.

Terry writes a great deal out of his own experience. We can follow him, through his poems, from the small town where he lived as a boy, to college, to the farm, out west to California and even through Europe. He shows a great awareness and appreciation of the various environments in which he has lived. In "The Old Homestead" we read about the pleasant boyhood life that he spent with his aunt, Mrs. Helen Bassatt, after the death of his mother. Here he affirms his great love for and devotion to the woman who nursed him through the sickness that left him hard-of-hearing, and later, deaf. This deafness was "a very strange sensation" to the sensitive boy of twelve. Suddenly he found himself cut off from relationships with friends and acquaintances. Gradually he came to depend upon his own thoughts and his books for companionship and in this solitude developed the taste for poetry that had been shown earlier in childish rhymes.

Before his mother's death in 1888 Howard's life was greatly influenced by the presence of men and women of learning and culture and wide travel. His young mind absorbed the things he daily heard, leading him to the fields of art and literature that was later to manifest itself in his work. It was only natural, then, that at twelve years of age, on a toy typewriter, he wrote, printed and then sewed together the pages of a little book, "Half-a-Penny Tales." This charming volume is still



HOWARD L. TERRY

in his possession and is delightful to read. He also has the copy and "manuscript" of another book that he wrote two years later. This was published in pamphlet form by his father. Then came a volume of poems printed on a toy press that he had received in trade for a camera. The book of stories, written in school behind the teacher's back, was quite a professional job and earned him a write-up in a St. Louis newspaper. The writer of the article predicted a poetic career for the young boy. Before he was twenty-one he had written three books and at one time sent out a weekly newsletter to the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*. He has been writing steadily ever since.

His school and college work were frequently interrupted by eye trouble

Alice Taylor Terry, beloved wife of Howard L. Terry, passed away at 11:45 Monday night, April 3, 1950, at the age of 71 years and 11 months. Cause of death was a heart attack and suffocation due to water in the lungs.

For three years, Mrs. Terry had been a victim of angina, or neuralgia of the heart. The evening of February 12, she had a serious heart attack and was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital two weeks later from her bed. She improved and returned home. She had another attack, this fatal, at 10 p.m., April 3. The full story of her life and work will appear in a later number.  
H. L. T.

and this prevented him from completing the course at Gallaudet with the class of 1900. However, in later years, in recognition of his work, Gallaudet College awarded him an Honorary Degree of Master of Letters. This was in 1938. In 1940 his name appeared in Who's Who in America. Throughout his entire career Terry has depended a great deal upon what he could learn himself, from books. At hearing schools he never had the full benefit of a teacher because of the deafness and then at Gallaudet he was not yet adept at reading rapid finger-spelling. He says that his early work is quite faulty in some places because of this and this led him to further study. This continual study benefited and improved his later work.

Howard Terry was born in St. Louis, Missouri, Jan. 4, 1877. The name Terry is a very old one that originated in France as Thierry, as in Chateau Thier-ry. The clan was driven out of France and took refuge in England where the name was changed to Terry. They were among the early settlers of America. Terry lived with his parents in St. Louis until the death of his mother, when he moved to the small town of Collinsville, Ill. In his second "boy's book," written in Collinsville, he named the place of publication as "St. Louis" to make it "look big," showing even then an indication of his future calling by establishing his own publishing "blurb." He attended the public schools of the town, Rugby Academy in St. Louis and then Gallaudet. It was here that he met Alice Taylor, Gallaudet, '01. They were married March 5, 1901, and moved to Sunset Farm in Southwest Missouri. Here they lived eight years as farmers on the land, doing all the farm work themselves. Terry plowed the eighty acres and milked the ten cows. He and a neighbor built the barn.

The Terrys' happy life on the farm is reflected in the pastoral poems and the many poems of farm, home and country. It is beautifully expressed in "The Marsh Mill Waterfall," a poem written for children and published in *Wee Wisdom*, a children's magazine. Typically, Sunset Farm furnished material for, and served as the locale for Terry's novel, *Man of the Soil*, originally titled "A Voice from the Silence." This novel was begun after they moved from the farm to Carthage, Mo., and was finished later in California. Here

he sold the serial rights, and the motion picture rights of the story to the Selig Polyscope Co., a leading movie company at that time, 1914. "Man of the Soil" appeared in serial form in *The Silent Broadcaster*, 1946-1947. It is a story about pioneer farmers in the Ozarks, the plot alive with murder and intrigue. What interests us is that the hero of the book is a deaf boy. The heroine chooses him, in preference to a hearing suitor, helps him with lip-reading while he teaches her the manual alphabet. In the end the murder is solved by the boy's lip-reading. Having a print shop in his back yard, Terry laboriously printed two hundred fifty copies of the novel in book form. It was illustrated by Bert Bumgardner, Gallaudet, '99. The work on the foot treadle press took eight months to complete.

Among Terry's loveliest works are his poems of fantasy, like "The Dream," a metrical drama in two acts. Here Mr. Terry lets his imagination roam into the worlds beyond and the result is an ethereal trip into never-never land. "A Tale of Normandie," written when the poet was sixteen years old, is another fine narrative composed in blank verse. Terry is also not above satirizing his friends. In 1910 he published "Our Celebrities," seventeen stanzas of satire on "the big guns" of the deaf . . . and, then, there is "Jimmy Meagher's Dream," a gem. Terry tells about Meagher locked out of his apartment in a snowstorm one cold winter's night because he didn't have his key:

"And Frieda slept, she couldn't hear,  
what use to ring her bell,  
What good to pound, the sleepers round  
would rise and give him hell,  
For just arouse an apartment house and  
see if all goes well."



## Poems by Jerry

### PETE

*Pete the pretzel peddler,  
Prosperous and proud;  
Me, the bum, the meddler,  
Jostled by the crowd.*

*Me an' Pete war pards, sir,  
That war long before  
Whisky, chips an' cards, sir,  
Made me worse than poor.*

*Pete forgot me, then, sir,  
Mixin' with the snobs,  
Me with common men, sir,  
Roustabouts an' slobbs;*

*Then I struck it rich, sir,  
On a sunny day,  
Diggin' in a ditch, sir,  
I hit pay.*

*Bought a house in swelldom,  
Married Blondie Moore,  
Looked up Pete, an', well, dum!  
If Pete warn't poor!*

### ELM SPRING

*Below our farm a mile or so  
The Elm Spring's waters rise and flow,  
By spreading elm and towering spruce  
It turns its crystal water loose.*

*Around about it cresses grow,  
Above, the wooded violets blow,  
The cowslips in the grasses stray,  
And ever the cooling waters play.*

*The rocks of old around it stand,  
So rudely carved by the storm-god's hand,  
And on their dripping side so cold  
The moss and the lichen have taken hold.*

*Tis there the cows from pastures near  
Come to drink of the waters clear,  
And many a lover of solitude  
Has cheered his heart in the shady wood.*

*And ever the murmuring waters flow,  
And ever the happy lovers go,  
And ever, ever, songbirds sing  
To make hearts happy at Elm Spring.*

Terry says that the idea for this poem just came to him "like a flash." He has always appreciated Meagher's publicizing his works when he was selling them.

For many years Terry worked to organize a Guild of Deaf Writers out of Meagher's Pen Pushers and he published four issues of "The Guild." Here we come across the names of deaf writers Dr. Roberts, Meagher, Lindholm, Sollenberger ("Handful of Quietness"), Reggie Harvat, Cooke, Sedlow, Schwarzblose, Rev. Guilbert Braddock and Henry P. Crutcher. Terry has always regretted that the Guild did not become a permanent organization. He has always worked for a greater understanding of literature among the deaf. During the 1930's Terry, with J. H. MacFarlane and Mrs. Kate Shibley, former teachers of the deaf, completed an Anthology of

Poems by the Deaf, which had been started by the late Dr. J. S. Long. These three carried Dr. Long's work to completion, having been appointed by him to do so. The manuscript contains poems that date back one hundred years. As far as reading goes, Terry himself has always been a great reader of history, literature and biography.

In addition to his literary works, Terry published in July, 1931, a very comprehensive article about the deaf in *Social Science*, a widely-read magazine. (He is a member of Pi Gamma Mu, a social science honorary society.) In the article he explained the position of the deaf in America, comparing their present status with that of the past. It was a call for understanding and, written by a deaf man himself, it states the problems of the deaf adequately and fairly. The article was reprinted in *The Deaf Mutes' Journal*, now *The New York Journal of the Deaf*, *The Frat* and *The California News*.

In the picture to the left are some of the many papers and magazines and other periodicals which have carried Howard L. Terry's writings, verse and prose, articles and fiction. The checkered covered magazine is *Wee Wisdom*. A number of magazines with Terry's work are not shown here, including *American Poetry Magazine*. The latest of his writings to be published appear in the March, 1950, Gallaudet College, *Buff and Blue*.

In their almost half-century of married life—it will be fifty years next March—Alice Terry has worked alongside her husband. Her name is one known and beloved by many of the deaf. For many years she wrote regularly for the old *Silent Worker* and was a contributing editor to *The Silent Broadcaster*. Some of her work was also published in magazines for the normally hearing. She has always worked for further use of the sign language. Letterheads on her personal stationery read: "To end forever the prejudice against deafness, let us teach the single hand alphabet to every child in every school in the land." Mr. Terry calls her "the little mother of the deaf."

The Terrys live in a charming house in Hollywood that has been their home



Mr. and Mrs. Terry at Sequoia

for thirty happy years. It is filled with family heirlooms, including the one-hundred-year-old bed in which Terry was born! There are also many mementoes of their 1926 trip to Europe. They have never forgotten this wonderful vacation and still like to talk of it.

The Terrys live a simple, homey life. Their three children are all married and have added seven grandchildren to the family. Terry has always been handy with tools, making and building things for himself and doing all kinds of repair jobs. His hobbies include making model sailboats and in his den stands a 36-inch sloop he constructed from more than thirty different pieces of wood. Terry has a tall, handsome figure and one can well believe that as a youth he was a leader in sports, an expert tennis player, and, for one year, active in both track and road bicycle racing. He was also good with the rifle and shotgun, aiming with his left eye because of impairment to the right one. At 73 one can yet see signs of his youthful vigor.

Howard Terry hasn't "retired" by any means. As much as his troubling eyesight does keep him from many pursuits that he would like to follow, he is up and about and fully on the alert to the latest developments in literature and the latest accomplishments of the deaf. Just as any writer craves appreciation of his work so, we think, must Howard Terry, and we hope with this article to fill the void where the facts of his achievements are concerned.

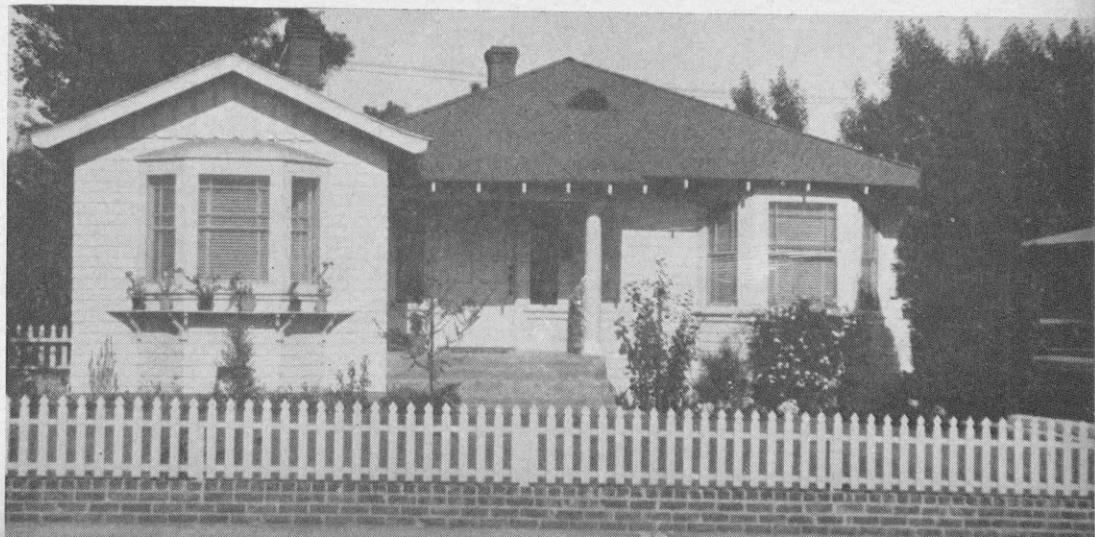
The Terrys' home at 1348 N. Martel Avenue, Hollywood, Calif.

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### Terry's Literary Work, Published and Unpublished

- 1890—*Half-a-Penny Tales*. Typed in book form, 1891.
- 1891—*The Cave Diggers*, illustrated, paper cover. At age 14. Three-part story, "The Boy Scouts,"\* 1891-2—"Six Weeks in the Rockies,"\* 555 pp. ms. Accidentally destroyed in 1917. Pen written.
- 1893-4—Writing for the Collinsville (Ill.) *Herald*. 5 canto blank verse poem, "Tale of Normandie."
- 1894—*Poems*, printed on hand lever press, 55 pp.
- 1895—"The Last Oak of Sherwood Forest," pub. in *The Buff and Blue*.
- 1895 or '96—"A Sophomore's Revenge," *The Buff and Blue*.
- 1897—Reporting and weekly letter for the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* and St. Louis *Republic*, from Collinsville.
- 1898—*The Stigma*, novel not quite finished, accidentally destroyed in 1917. Pub. "Tale of Normandie," written at age 16.
- 1899-01—Bought farm near Marionville, Mo. Called it Sunset Farm (see poem by that name). Wrote about the Ozarks. Contributed to *Colman's Rural World*. Wrote first part of metrical drama, "The Dream."
- 1905—Pub. "Camping Song" in *Sports Afield*.
- 1909—Wrote "The Deserted Ships," a sea tale, at one sitting, 74 stanzas. Pub. "Waters from an Ozark Spring," The Gorham Press, Boston.
- 1910—Novel, *Voice from the Silence*, begun in Carthage, Mo., completed in Venice, Calif. "Our Celebrities," satirical poem, 17 stanzas, pamphlet form.
- 1911—Worked a year on the novel, sold serial rights, 1912, to *The Ohio Farmer*.
- 1912—Article on home-made heat controlled brooder and raising of brooder chix. Sold to *Farm and Fireside*, pub. Feb. 3, 1912. Finished 2-act metrical drama, "The Dream." Set it up and pub. in printing house of Norman V. Lewis, a deaf Los Angeles printer.
- 1913—"Joaquin Miller as I Saw Him," pub. in *Out West* magazine.
- 1914—Pub. in book form on own press, *Voice from the Silence*, 355 pp., illustrated by Bert Bumgardner, Gallaudet, '99. Sold motion picture rights of *Voice from the Silence* to The Selig Polyscope Co. Contributed to *The Los Angeles Times*, both newspaper and Sunday magazine, and the *Santa Monica Outlook*. Poem, "The Hollow of the Moon," pub. on first page *Times* Sunday magazine, 1917. Poem, "Fires of Brushwood," L.A. *Times* editorial page.
- 1916—Poems, "The Spirit of the Place," and "The Volcano," *The Hesperian*.
- 1917—Pub. *California and Other Poems*, reviewed in San Francisco *Chronicle* and Fresno *Republican*, by Charles Shinn.
- 1920—"Heroes of the Silent World," by Howard and Alice Terry, articles in L.A. *Times* Sunday magazine, May 23.
- 1922—Poem, "The Marsh Mill Waterfall," pub. on first five pages of *Wee Wisdom*, illustrated in color.
- 1923—"Bunny," a chapter from *Adventures in Silence* (now *Mickey's Harvest*), a story about deaf impostors. "Bunny" is J. F. Meagher, with his permission.
- 1917-23—at work on a story of the world of the deaf (novel) revised several times. Final revision 1948-49, title *Mickey's Harvest*.\*
- 1928—"Where Burned the Heart of Burns," with 12 photos, sold to *The Mentor*, missed publication when magazine changed to *The New Mentor* for art. Pub. in *The Buff and Blue*, Dec., 1935.
- 1929—Pub. *Sung in Silence*, Seelycroft Press, 112 pp. Frontispiece by Albert Ballin (deaf artist) from memory sketch by Terry. This volume contains "The Deserter Ships" (first pub. in *The Silent Worker*, 1909 or 10), and the drama, "The Dream." Wrote and sold to *The Mentor*, "Byron's Monument to His Dog." Pub. Aug., 1929, with photo by Mr. Terry of monument over remains of dog, "Boatswain."
- 1930—Poem, "My Love Is Like a Honey Bee," *American Poetry Magazine*, Dec., 1930. Also republished "The Volcano."
- 1931—Article, "The Deaf, Their Education and Place in Society," pub. in *Social Science*, July, 1931.
- 1938—Contribution to *Click* magazine's \$50,000 prize contest, title, "On Meeting a Deaf Person," was among top winners.
- 1946-47—*Man of the Soil* final version of *A Voice from the Silence*, pub. in *The Silent Broadcaster*.
- During the life of *The Silent Broadcaster*, Mr. Terry contributed frequently.
- During the 1930's Mr. Terry, with J. H. McFarlane and Mrs. Kate Shibley, completed *Poems by the Deaf*, an anthology, started by the late Dr. J. S. Long. The ms. contains poems back through about 100 years.
- 1949—*Peter Popcorn Pennywig and his Wonderful Village of Caliland*, a book for children.\* Seeking pub. illustrated by the author. Many contributions to magazines and newspapers have been lost and no record of them kept.

\* Indicates unpublished.



# C. F. WILLIS SCATTERGUN ARTIST

*A Worker Picture-Story*

By EARL ROGERSON

Pictures from THE WILLIS ALBUM

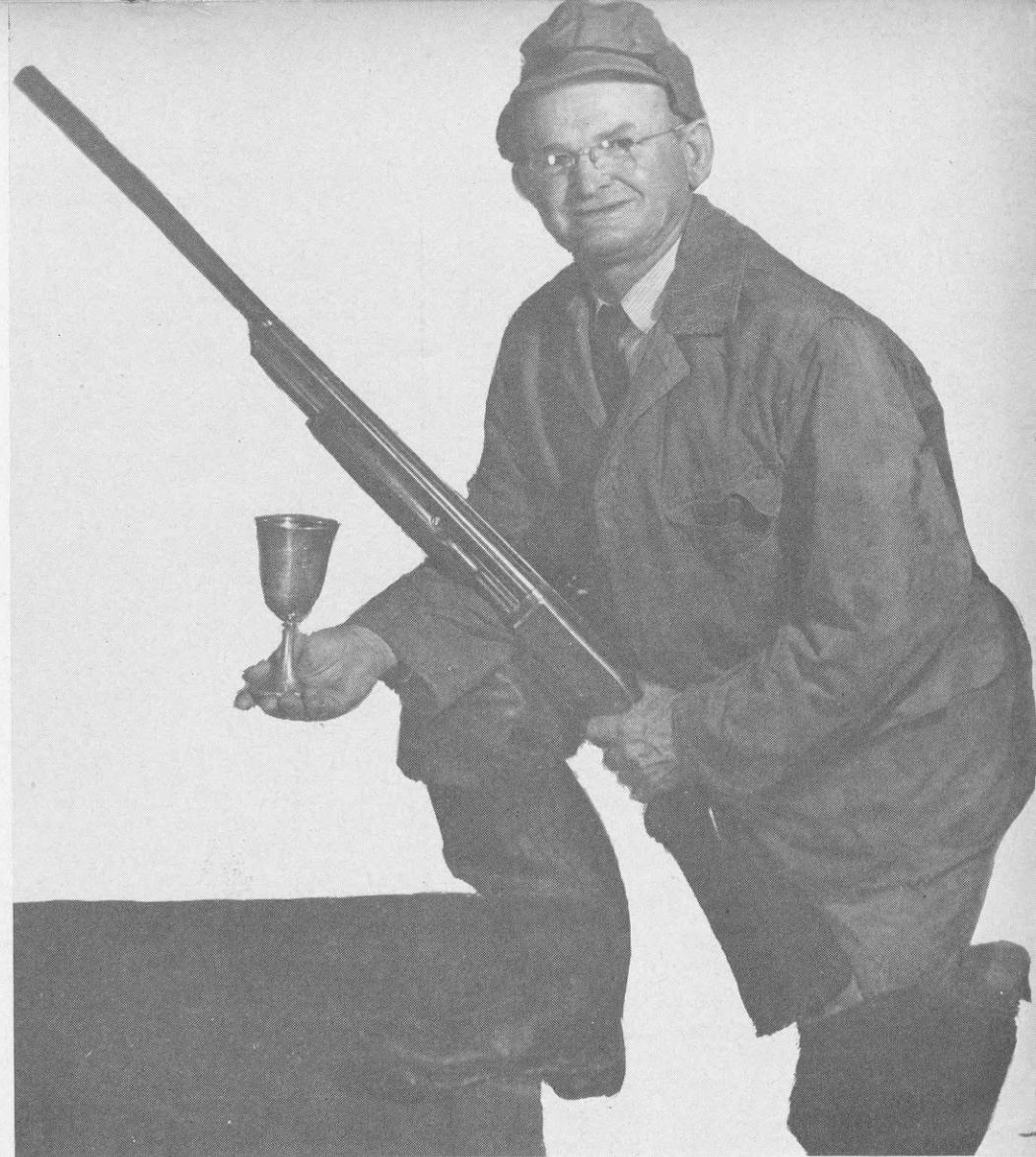
**T**HEY SAY THAT ONE PICTURE speaks 10,000 words. We believe our efforts would come to naught, or even be nullified, were we to attempt the task of writing the story that can be told by the pictures on these pages. We shall, therefore, limit ourselves to brief comments.

Evidently C. F. Willis is one of those rare sportsmen who produce photographic evidence to back up the tales of their exploits. We have tramped the hills and valleys in search of the elusive buck; waited hours crouched in a duck blind for a couple of shots at the swift mallards, but never have we or our friends equalled the records shown by Willis. Mr. Willis, we salute you!

The Willis family resides in Memphis, Tenn., in a seven-room bungalow which they purchased in 1927. After 23 years, the Willises are still proud of their home.

Willis probably has one of the most unusual businesses among the deaf population. He is a salesman for Rawleigh Good Health Products. A business of this sort calls for house-to-house canvassing. This is extremely difficult for a hearing person, let alone a deaf man. With such a nice home and car, apparently Willis is doing well.

In his spare time, Willis hies himself off to the Memphis Gun Club of which he is a member. There he sharpens his shooting eye and recently won a silver



Charles F. Willis and His Trophy

cup for breaking 99 out of a possible 100 clay pigeons. No wonder he always "brings home the bacon." Besides the silver cup, he has won hams, bacon, turkeys and cash prizes in scattergun competition. He also goes in for skeet shooting and has broken 50x50 at times for a perfect score. Occasionally he misses, but who doesn't?

During the fall hunting season, Willis journeyed to Elaine, Ark., and brought home enough steak, chops, and roasts to last the family a year. He killed an 11-point, 195-pound buck. To further

enlarge the family larder, he brings home ducks and geese regularly.

A short time ago, another sportsman in the family was featured in THE SILENT WORKER. Franklin, Jr., an all-around athlete of the Tennessee School for the Deaf, and Art Kruger's All-American choice.

Junior often accompanies his dad on hunting forays. He learned to handle a gun when he was eight years old and bids fair to top his dad's achievements someday. Just now, hunting must wait. Junior wants to enter college next fall.

Below: The Willis Home at Memphis, Tennessee

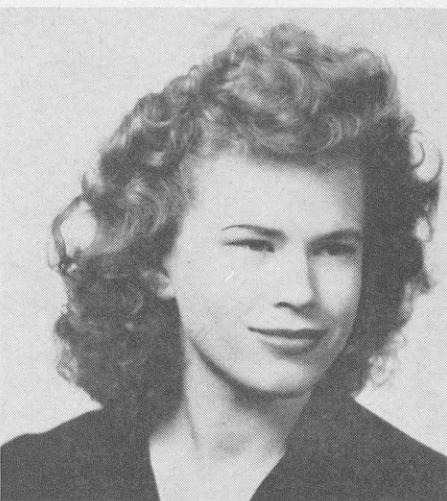


Off on the Bread and Butter Circuit





The pictures on this page show some of the results of Willis' treks into the hinterland. Directly at the left, Willis is shown with ten geese, which for him is an average haul. At the top, left, Willis poses with a 10-point buck. The pictures at the right side of the page show, at the top, the lady who cooks all this game, Mrs. Willis. Next in order are their oldest daughter, Mrs. Charlaine Brewer, Julia, a 1947 graduate of the Tennessee School for Deaf, and son Franklin, the Tennessee school football star. At bottom, left, is Willis with a rice field haul of forty mallards.



# HOW TO GET A JOB

... and Keep It

By VALENTINE A. BECKER

Rehabilitation Officer for the Deaf, California Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation

*A few timely do's and don'ts for the deaf graduate . . . and suggested reading for those of you who left school a long time ago.*

Here it is, the end of the school year (and the last one for you if you are graduating or "quitting") and you are faced with the problem of finding suitable employment. Do you know how to go about it?

Let's face it. The war is over and jobs are scarce. Further, the average employer, to put it mildly, is *not* interested in hiring inexperienced deaf workers. Does that surprise you?

Still, you want a job like anyone else and you will get it and keep it, if you will follow these suggestions. One thing is sure; if you completely ignore them, it may be a long time before you are happily employed; and when you do find something, it may not last long. Here they are:

First comes the interview. If you are applying for work in a large company, you will probably be interviewed by a personnel worker, or by a foreman. Unless your speech is quite normal and you are an excellent lip-reader, it is wise to take someone with you who can hear. The application blank is important and should be filled out carefully. If your writing is poor, or if you answer only a few of the questions on the blank, the interviewer may decide that you are careless or lazy. Result—no job. If you have had a little job experience during summers or after school, ask your former employer to give you a letter telling just what kind of work you did, how long you did it and how much money you made. You will be asked to list one or more people as character references. Any of your teachers, the principal, the school superintendent, or your minister will probably give you permission to list their names but be sure to ask them first.

Be as courteous as you can. Dress neatly. Don't ask how much money the job pays; you are not yet in a position to bargain for high wages. If you are a good worker you will be rewarded when the time comes. When you go home, write a letter thanking the interviewer for talking with you—whether you got the job or not.

Here are seven points to remember:

1. Avoid any job where a lot of conversation is required. Most hearing people cannot understand the speech of the

deaf very well. If you try to do work of this kind, misunderstandings are bound to take place which only result in embarrassment. Sooner or later your employer will realize that you are not the right person for the job.

2. Some jobs require frequent instruction from the employer or the foreman. This is very time-consuming and not many employers can take the time to write out what they want done. Unless you are an excellent lip-reader, it is wise to avoid this type of work also.

3. Certain types of deafness are aggravated by noisy surroundings. If you are interested in a job where there is a lot of noise, you should go to an ear specialist first to make sure that no harm will be done to your hearing. Some deaf people find that an extremely noisy job is quite suitable for them, but the decision should always be made by an otologist. If your doctor says that you have inner-ear impairment, it is well to avoid any kind of a noisy job, especially where there are high-frequency sounds.

4. Be sure to consider the safety of your fellow workers as well as your own. Some occupations are very hazardous, and if the safety of the workers is dependent on hearing, this would not be a suitable job for a deaf person.

5. Humid or wet conditions, sudden temperature changes and drafts can also do a lot of damage where certain types of deafness exist.

6. Some deaf people are troubled with dizziness. They should never work where a normal sense of balance is required; high places should be avoided.

7. Stay away from jobs where there is a lot of dust, if the doctor feels this might do additional harm to your hearing.

Let's say you are lucky and the employer has decided to take a chance on you. Then what? It's one thing to get a job, another thing to hold on to it. These thoughts may be helpful:

*Get to work on time every day.* Never excuse yourself for being late by saying that "You did not hear the alarm clock." This only reminds the employer that you are deaf when you want him to forget it. Anyway, there are special alarm clocks available for deaf people to help them avoid such trouble.

*Do your work without complaining.* Employers frequently claim that deaf people have a poor attitude toward

work. All of us must do things that we do not like. Each job will have certain tasks that are distasteful as well as those that are enjoyable. Accept each assignment with a willingness to complete it successfully, or at least to the best of your ability. If you do not understand what is to be done, ask questions. Keep your complaints to yourself — nobody wants to hear about them. The employee who is constantly complaining about something is soon out of a job.

*Learn to grow on the job.* When business conditions are good, you can hold your job indefinitely by doing only the required amount of work. If you are ambitious and want something better, you must spend some of your leisure time in developing your skills to a higher level. The vocational subjects which you studied in school will give you a good start toward mastering a definite trade. Keep in mind that such training is not complete in itself—in fact it is only the beginning.

Talk to your employer and to other workers who have been on the job for a long time. They can show you "the tricks of the trade" and make suggestions for self-improvement. Take evening courses at your local high school or extended training at the trade school if there is one in your community. You will become a better workman and advancement will come more rapidly. Look up the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation and let them advise you about training that will help you to further develop your skills.

*Sell your ability—not your disability.* No employer wants to hire you because he feels sorry for you; if you are accepted it is because he thinks you can do the job *now* or that you can learn to do it after a period of training. Don't be satisfied with doing the job "just as well" as your fellow worker; do a little more than called for. You are faced with the problem of competing with hearing people which means that you will have to prove that you are just as good a worker as they are, in spite of your deafness. Never ask for special favors because you are deaf. This only emphasizes your disability in the eyes of your employer. In time he will discover that you can do just about anything that a hearing person can do and that is exactly the impression you want to make.



Scoutmaster Tom Ulmer gives a Sunday Talk at Smith Creek Camp

# SCOUTMASTER TOM

By KONRAD A. HOKANSON

OUT IN THE "wilds" of Oregon (incidentally, still God's country), in the capital city of Salem stands the State School for the Deaf, famed in neither prose nor poetry, yet enshrined in the hearts of many — especially in the hearts of the boys who took up scouting under Tommy Ulmer.

The Scout motto "Be prepared" apparently did not apply in Tom's case when he first came to Oregon and took over the direction of scout work at the school. (His official position was head supervisor of boys—no salary went with his scout work.) However, he did not let that deter him. With zeal and fervor he became fully prepared for the task as is shown by the 27 Eagle Scouts he has produced since 1936 when the school could boast of only one. In fact, he has more Eagle scouts to his credit than any other scoutmaster in Marion County.

Thomas A. Ulmer is a graduate of the Mt. Airy School (1927) and of the Williamsport, Penna., High School (1930). He received his B.A. from Gallaudet College in 1934, and his M.A. in 1946 via correspondence. While earning his M.A., he wrote a highly interesting article on Scouting, published in the American Annals of the Deaf for May, 1947.

From this article, "Scouting in the Schools for the Deaf," a few quotes will not be amiss: "What makes a Scoutmaster? First of all he is a man, a leader of boys in the most important period



TOM ULMER

of their lives. Second, he is a lover of nature. Third, he is a father, a counselor, and a friend to the boy. There are others, but these three will give a general idea." . . . "The best part of Scouting is the OUTING! Alas, how woefully weak we are in this part of the movement! The table clearly shows that too few, far too few of our troops get out of doors."

Tom married his college sweetheart, Georgia Krepela, June 26, 1937, right after she graduated from Gallaudet with a B.S. It is presumed he did not want

to wait too long for fear some enterprising young fellow might pull a Lochinvar on him. He should know, since he unwittingly pulled the same stunt in winning Georgia! They own their home, completed in 1946, and their '49 Chevrolet (and, this will shock you, both are paid for!).

At the start of his work at Salem, Mr. Ulmer was a firm and strict disciplinarian, but his years of constant contact with boys and study of their natures have toned this down to a more understanding concept of human values. In his work with the scouts, he is concentrating more on building a firm and moral character in each of the boys coming under his able tutelage rather than having them "toe-the-line." On school time he has every Wednesday evening and Saturday morning for this character building and you can be sure he does not waste a second of it.

Each scout earning a merit badge or a promotion in rank knows he has *really earned it*, because Mr. Ulmer is a believer in teaching the right things the right way—slipshod methods are unknown in his troop. Before any merit badge candidate can hope to stand before a Board of Review in town, he must first satisfactorily answer questions put to him by Mr. Ulmer.

Hanging on the wall in the school Scout Den are two sheepskins—the permanent possession of the school troop. A sheepskin is awarded annually to the troop having had the largest number of

boys in attendance at the Boards of Review through the year. To gain permanent possession of one of these prized trophies a troop must win it three times.

The Scout Den at school is an eye-opener—in fact it is the best decorated den in the district, featuring handicraft articles made by the scouts themselves. In addition to the two aforementioned sheepskins there is a third one won at a camporee, the troop being one of three in the district to score 100 percent in the neatness and orderliness of its camp, and this in competition with over 20 other troops.

Tom is not stingy with his time, as is evidenced by the numerous hikes and camping trips he makes with the boys—all on his own time! Scout circuses and camporees, too! During the summer, Tom has usually given up a week of his own two-weeks' vacation to take some aspiring scouts to Camp Pioneer, a *scout's* scout camp located high in the Oregon Cascades on Pine Lake at the foot of towering Mt. Jefferson. The five or six boys he takes learn swimming, life-saving, canoeing, handicraft, etc. All is not work, so the boys have time to pick up friends from among the 80 to 100 hearing scouts usually present at the camp at one time. (One wonders why Tom enjoys Camp Pioneer so much. Probably he casts his inhibitions to the four winds, sticks a flower behind each ear, and goes gamboling through the woodland.)

During one day at the camp, each scout leader (Tom is one) takes about 20 scouts on a fourteen-mile overnight hike with packs and all. Each group takes a different trail, and I can assure you these hikes are no sissy, pink-tea affairs when you consider the mountainous and forested terrain surrounding the camp. The area provides one distinct advantage in that each scout is assured of a tree in case they meet a bear, also out hiking.

There is an annual Scout Circus in which hundreds of Boy Scouts and Cubs, including Tom's boys, take part. The Circus consists of contests, signalling, Morse code by flashlight, building a fire with flint, obstacle relays, building a tower or bridge, pitching tents, and all those things that only a Scout could do. The Circus affords a real test of the Scout, under pressure and in competition with scores of others, and will show up the teaching methods of the scoutmaster as being excellent, mediocre, or bad.

At week-end camporees, such as those spent at Smith Creek Camp, Saturday evenings are usually spent in "listening" to Tom spinning stories. Sunday mornings he gives an outdoor church service (weather permitting) with the boys seated in a semi-circle before him. While teaching at the Oregon School in the late '30's, the author went on one of these weekend camporees with thoughts of rest and quiet in his mind, and Tom caught him flat-footed with the request to deliver a Sunday morning sermon!

While teaching the boys to earn merit badges and promotions, Tom has not been backward in these things himself. At this writing he has earned 61 merit badges with the third gold palm; is Explorer Post Leader; has five senior Scout titles; is an Explorer Woodsman; was awarded the Scoutmaster's Key. In earning his key, Tom had to go through a five-year training course in Scoutmaster work covering camping, first aid, cooking, fundamentals, Principles of Scout Leadership, two weeks in camp, and then take tests on the course.

In January, 1947, at the annual Scout dinner in the Salem Chamber of Commerce he was presented a Silver Beaver, the highest honor for a Scouter! In this the Cascade Area Council only two Silver Beavers are awarded each year. Those who have already won Silver Beavers meet and choose candidates for



Tom in Scout Regalia

their outstanding work. The names of the two to be honored are kept secret until it is time to make the awards.

In making the Silver Beaver award to Tom, Mr. Don Douris, YMCA worker in Europe during the recent war, also pinned a corsage on Mrs. Ulmer. In so doing, sadly regarding her as a Scout widow, he kissed her on the cheek, remarking that he wished he were in France as a girl would kiss him back! (It is not recorded how Georgia reacted to this!)

It is especially noteworthy to record here that, as far as is known, Tom is the *only* Scoutmaster in a School for the Deaf receiving the Eagle badge with Palms, the Scoutmaster's Key, and the Silver Beaver.

Tom's splendid work in scouting has not gone unnoticed as is evidenced by the words of well-deserved praise heaped on him by Committeemen, Commissioners, and Council Members in town.

In addition to his scout work, Tom teaches in the classroom and has charge of the paint shop. His hobbies are listed as stamp-collecting and *scouting!* He is also a poet of no mean calibre, having had his poems frequently published in the Portland Sunday Journal and in other publications, notably *Who's Who in Poetry in America* (1941).

Tom's love of Scouting and all it typifies can be shown no more clearly than in this, perhaps his greatest wish—when taps are sounded for him, he wants his ashes taken to Camp Pioneer and there scattered over the calm, beautiful waters of Pine Lake, mirroring the sharp peak of Mt. Jefferson.



Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer in front of their new home and their new Chevrolet

# THE CUTTING EDGE

*As Told to STAHL BUTLER*

By CARL B. SMITH

**THE SILENT WORKER** has had occasion before to tell of successful deaf barbers. In this article we present one of the best known of them all. Carl Smith has always shown an active interest in state and national affairs of the deaf, and the educational system. As this article goes to press, the army hospital where he has been employed is closing its doors and Carl and his wife are setting out in their car on a long-deferred vacation.

**T**HINK OF ALL THE WORK of the deaf as a huge knife that is trying to cut out, and cut away, all the misinformation, misunderstandings, and injustices from the silent world. The handle and the blade of that imaginary knife are made up of hundreds of deaf people and teachers of the deaf; Carl B. Smith and other deaf barbers are found on the cutting edge.

Carl B. Smith lost his hearing at three years of age. At the Missouri School he had three years of tailoring, seven years of printing, and one year of barbering. He learned to clip hair in his father's shop, though he was a small boy, even in his last year of school. He learned so fast that his instructor said that he was born a barber. He then went to work in his father's shop, launching a long career of forty years to date.

He has no speech and is no lip reader, though if a patron tells him, "Not too much," he understands that the man wants his hair long on top.

Carl was in Flint from 1934 to 1938. He built up such a clientele that he often had people waiting for him when the other barbers were idle. The jealousy of the other barbers caused him to lose his job. His boss wrote him a note saying in effect that he had too many waiting customers. When his customers asked him why he left the shop, he showed them the boss' note.

Carl says that trimming each different kind of hair requires a different technique, depending upon whether the hair

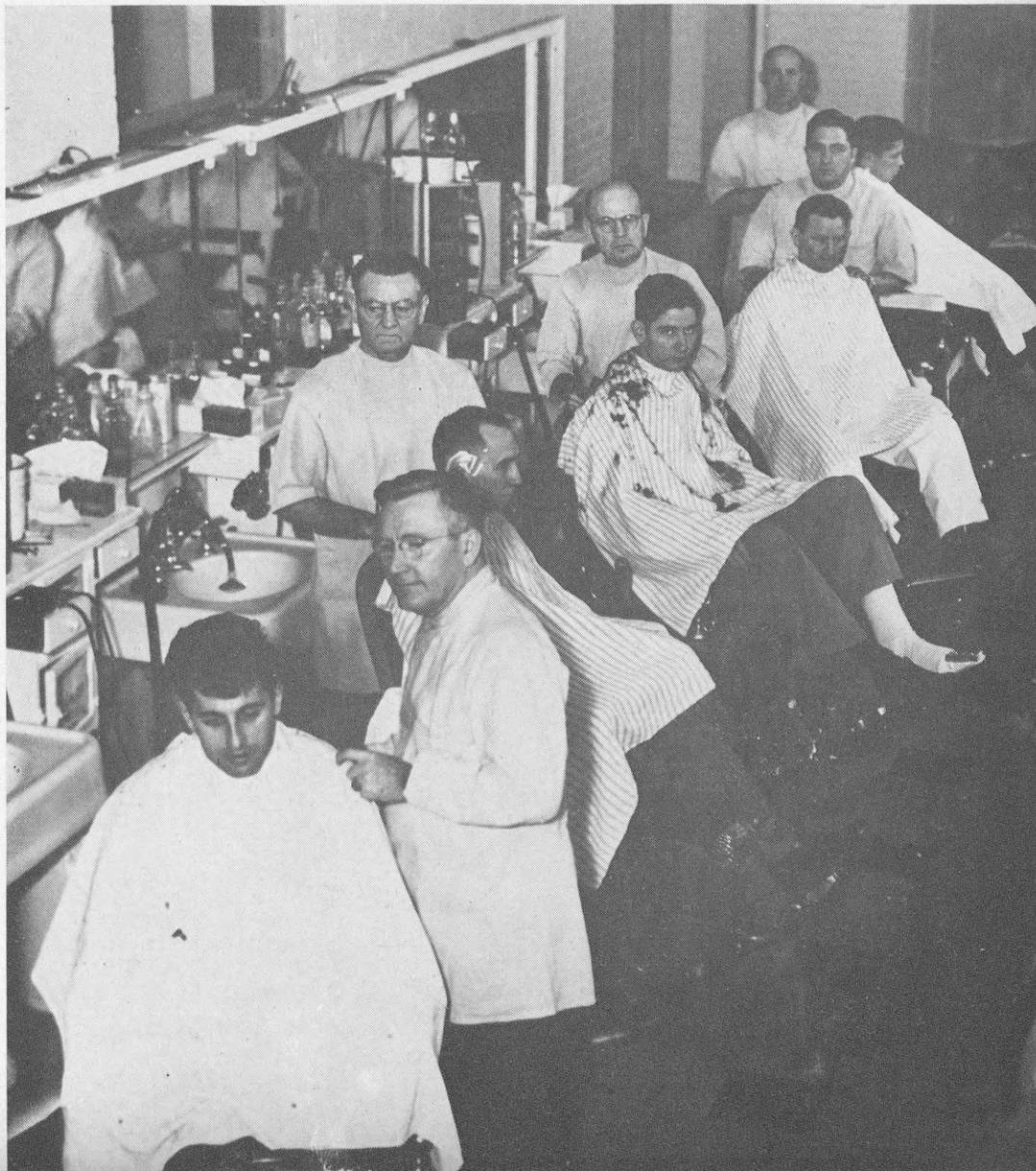
is straight or curly, bristly or silky, oily or wild, dirty or washed. He also says that a master barber has two razors—the one he uses regularly and a spare. The adjustments of the hand to the razor to the face are so delicate that even a master barber cannot be familiar with the use of more than one razor at a time. Smith says that if a barber says that he uses more than one or two razors, he is no M.B.—Master Barber.

In barbering, as well as in every other line of work, the deaf man is on the spot. If he gives a poor hair cut the patron blames the poor work on the barber's deafness and will not go back to him; on the other hand, sometimes a man will take a poor hair cut as a matter of course and go back to a poor barber repeatedly.

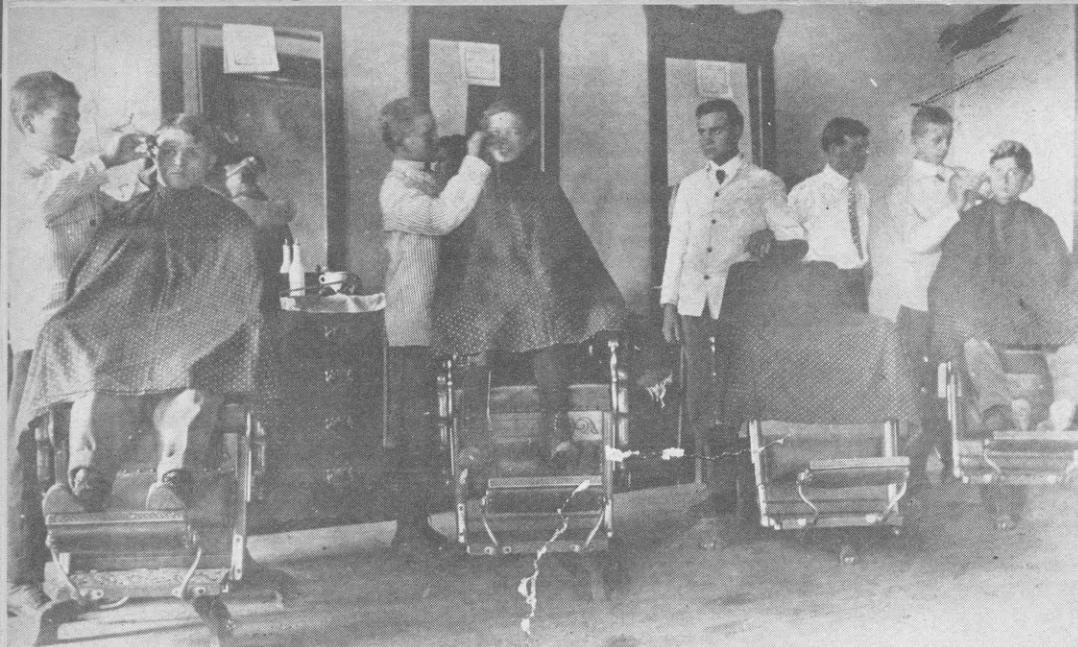
Master barbers in downtown city shops are keen competitors. Working for 65 percent to 75 percent of the gross earnings of his chair, each barber must

not only compete against the other barbers in quality of work and number of patrons, but he must also make money for the boss. A deaf barber may be very conscientious, have good skills, and build up a large patronage for himself, yet fail to get a job in a good shop because he does not do enough massages or shampoos and does not sell enough hair tonic. For these reasons, Carl thinks that a deaf barber should stay in a small town. The whole population will hail him if he is a good citizen.

Mr. Smith would discourage ambitious young deaf men from taking up the trade unless they are very sure of what they want and have what it takes to persevere and stick at it until they become master barbers. Certainly a young man should not take up the trade unless he has courtesy, patience, tolerance, temper control, and a sense of humor because he will be working in a laboratory of the psychology of hu-



At the right is the new barber shop at Percy Jones Hospital, Battle Creek, Michigan. Smith is at the chair third from the right.



Here is the barber shop at the Missouri School for the Deaf, pictured in 1910. Young Carl Smith is at first chair on left. Barbering instructor was Mr. Maher.

man whims. Many patrons are kind and gentle with their favorite barbers. On the other hand, a customer may be selfish, vain, fussy, moody, and sharp-tongued when he enters the shop.

Many patrons have never known a deaf person. Some cannot understand a simple, natural gesture. Even after the deaf barber writes two or three times that he cannot hear and talk, they still do not understand, but continue to speak to him. When they finally get the idea, they are startled, afraid, and embarrassed. The barber may be inwardly enraged at a patron's stupid attitude, but he must remain understanding, patient, tolerant, and courteous. (Carl always asks his fellow barbers not to try to help him and especially warns them not to laugh when he becomes involved with a stupid patron.)

Probably the best way to describe what a deaf barber must put up with is to tell some of the stories of Carl Smith's experiences.

A mother put her little boy in Carl's chair before she knew of his deafness. She seemed apprehensive and asked the proprietor to take her boy out of the chair, which he did. Just then the husband and father came in for a haircut. He was a regular patron of Carl's and got into his chair and spelled to him.

After Smith had started to cut a man's hair, his wife discovered that Carl was deaf and ordered her husband out of the chair. The hair cut was completed by the proprietor, who explained later is the day that the woman had had a hair-pulling fight with a deaf woman.

A musician got out of Carl's chair when he discovered his deafness. A month later he came back when Carl was alone in the shop. He hesitated and then asked for a pad and pencil. In the course of the long written conversation Carl wrote, "This shop has been patronized by many big shots and famous

musicians." Obviously pleased, the man asked Carl if he could hear music. "Too bad," he wrote. He became the deaf barber's regular customer and good friend.

At an army post a certain chaplain refused to sit in Carl's chair, but always watched him closely, probably out of curiosity. One day, while the chaplain was waiting to get a chair, a colonel came in and sat down beside him. The colonel immediately spoke to Smith, addressing him in the sign language. Immediately the chaplain bombarded the colonel with questions about Smith and the deaf and the officer obviously explained at length. When the chaplain's turn came he went directly to Carl's chair, but attempted no directions as to how to cut his hair. Smith subsequently wrote notes to the chaplain and he became one of Carl's regular customers.

A Chinese helper in a small laundry jumped out of the chair when he learned that Carl could not hear or speak. Carl started taking his shirts to that laundry and subsequently got to know the boy well, but he never let Smith work on him. In sharp contrast, a visiting Chinese doctor at the Percy Jones Hospital came to the shop to tell Carl goodbye before he left for China.

A teacher in a nationally-known day school for the deaf used to come to the shop in which Mr. Smith worked, but he always avoided Carl's chair.

Mr. Smith often served wealthy, and well-known people when he worked in St. Louis. Famous baseball players—Hornsby, Sisler, Alexander, and others regularly came to his chair. He also worked on a former ambassador to Russia, and wealthy Missouri and Illinois business men. By these patrons he was

often tipped five dollars. Carl has no apprehension about working on famous or wealthy people. They all have dandruff!

After Pearl Harbor, Smith wanted to do his bit for Uncle Sam, and subsequently worked at Fort Wayne, Fort Custer, Kellogg Air Base, and for six years he has been serving wounded soldiers at Percy Jones General Hospital at Battle Creek, Michigan. Carl cut their hair and shaved them in their wards. It was there that he regularly served Frederic Hansel, the G.I. who lost both hands and legs. Carl said that Hansel was particularly self-reliant and refused assistance if he could avoid it. He did not talk much but seemed to enjoy Carl's services very much.

Mr. Smith thinks that his deafness gave him excellent rapport with the injured vets. He also had the added advantage of not being bothered by hearing cries, groans, or curses when he was directed by famous brain and plastic surgeons to shave heavily-stitched wounds not yet completely healed.

Of all the deaf who are contacting hearing people every hour of the day, and doing a good job of selling deafdom to hearing society, surely no one has done more than Carl Smith and other deaf barbers. They have been definite examples of what the deaf can do. Because of his occupation and particular work station, the deaf barber has been constantly on the cutting edge of all efforts for the deaf and has helped wonderfully to shave away fear, ignorance, and prejudice.



Carl and Mrs. Smith ready for Sunday afternoon recreation in their own car.

# *Educational Front and Parents' Department*

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## REHABILITATION PERSONNEL MEET

By RICHARD M. PHILLIPS

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THE SERVICES of Vocational Rehabilitation for all types of vocationally disabled people has increased greatly since 1943. Services for those with impaired hearing have increased as well. The amount of this increase has varied from state to state, depending upon the attitude of the state people who handle the program. It is to be expected that those in charge of programs such as Rehabilitation where a great number of services are available and greatly different demands made upon it will give the majority of their time and thought to those who can be helped the fastest and most conveniently. It is far easier to talk over problems with an amputee than with a deaf person who must write out all he has to say, and do this with much difficulty. For this reason there has been need among the average vocational rehabilitation counselor for increased information about the deafened client who applies to him for service. To meet this end the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation recently called a meeting of those who specialized in serving this group of rehabilitation clients and other people who are identified with various phases of work with the deafened.

This group had as its objective the formulation of ideas, methods and practices for serving the aurally disabled. This information was then to be given as an aid in attaining a vocational objective, use of hearing clinics for hearing aid selection, the interpretation of psychological test results and case work, and counseling procedures were made up by committees and proposed as guides for giving services of this nature.

Mr. Boyce Williams, Consultant for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, was responsible for the entire program. In his opening talk he mentioned the great variation of services given the group of clients with impaired hearing. He estimated that future services will depend upon the development in each state agency of several elements. In bringing out these elements Mr. Williams specifically mentioned close working relationship with the schools for the deaf, especially the residential school which

plays such a large part in the lives of those who attend these schools. He stressed the need for someone in each state organization who could communicate with the deaf in the sign language. This communication medium is essential in securing the necessary mutual understanding that will permit effective counseling and guidance. For the hard-of-hearing, Mr. Williams urged a greater utilization of existing facilities such as hearing societies, hearing clinics and otologists.

The general information deemed necessary for the better understanding of the deafened was secured through talks given by recognized authorities in the various fields of work with the aurally handicapped. Ranging from a definition of the deaf as they differ from those who are hard of hearing, to the needs of the Negro deaf, these speakers ably covered their various fields. Discussion periods followed each paper and brought out the felt needs of those in attendance at the meeting.

A visit was made to Gallaudet College and the opportunity was had to hear a talk by President Elstad on the purposes and the future goals of the institution. Interest was expressed by the group in the future expansion of the college and the additional vocational possibilities that such a growth will make possible. A closer relationship between the college and the counselor responsible for the case expenditures and planning of clients of the various state rehabilitation agencies attending Gallaudet was shown to be a great need since so many have vague or distorted ideas of the set-up of the college. That some effort will be made in this direction is evident from the acceptance of the idea by all present.

In the minds of those who attended the meeting with a limited background in service to the deaf, there arose evidence of a great need for specific, practical research into the vocational and general adjustment problems pertaining to the deaf and the hard of hearing. So much that is believed to be true or used as a basis for action has not been verified by exacting and scientific research. Professor Irving Fusfeld in his talk on the lack of such research brought out many details that increased this feeling. As an outgrowth of the discussions that followed, it was proposed by the

group that the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation take the incentive and attempt to call a meeting of recognized research authorities. These could bring into play accepted research practices and propose a more systematic research program that in time might produce definite answers to problems that are ever present in the field of work with the deaf.

The very completely equipped Aural Rehabilitation Center of the Army at Walter Reed Hospital was the starting point for a half day spent in the exploration of the possibilities of such centers in the selection of a hearing aid for hard-of-hearing clients and the broad extent of the field of services that should be given as a supplement to a hearing aid. Methods of teaching lip reading and the sharpening of the powers of observation were demonstrated by the technicians stationed at this Center.

The Washington Hearing Society held open house for the group so that they could better realize the wide range of services available for hard-of-hearing persons in the many American Hearing Society chapters throughout the country.

The field of psychological testing was explored in several discussions and a question-answer period. The invalidity of the usual verbal test when applied to the deaf without proper consideration of the language handicap was emphasized. Consideration of background factors and increased use and better interpretation of the non-language tests was offered as a possible substitute. The lack of qualified psychologists to work with the aurally handicapped was pointed out, and the interesting of such persons in the problem urged. Psychiatric services that are often sorely needed and almost unavailable make up a service that should be made available to those in need through close relationships between competent professionals and those who have a rich background in working with the deaf.

Covering, as it did, a wide cross section of the services available through vocational rehabilitation and the best possible methods of giving this service to the group of clients who have hearing deficiencies, this meeting brought together persons competent to discuss the problems presented with a thorough understanding of the two sides to the process, the position of the rehabilitation counselor and those who best understand the deafened applicant. The results of this meeting should bear fruit that will greatly increase the vocational opportunities for the deaf and the hard-of-hearing.

**Milwaukee Leads the Way With**

# **N.A.D. RALLY FOR HOME OFFICE**

*By JOHN A. DeLANCE*

**T**HE FIRST OF A series of N.A.D. rallies which was held in the clubrooms of the Milwaukee Silent Club on the evening of March 4, turned out to be a success in every respect.

Staged by earnest, hard-working young Lawrence N. Yolles, First Vice-President of the N.A.D. and Chairman of the Committee on Increasing the Endowment Fund, it was sparked by an address given by dynamic David Peikoff of Toronto, Canada, President of the Ontario Association of the Deaf. He spoke to a jam-packed audience of interested listeners, including visitors from Chicago, Rockford and other Illinois cities, as well as Wisconsin cities within a hundred and fifty-mile radius of Milwaukee.

Mr. Peikoff, known to literally thousands of deaf people from coast to coast for his many and varied activities in the interests of the deaf, displayed his usual energetic personality when he spoke for a solid hour on "*The True Destiny of the N.A.D.*"

Facts and figures concerning the N.A.D. which were heretofore unknown or hazy to many in his audience were dramatically and clearly explained.

He spoke of the ambitions of the N.A.D. and of its hopes of raising an Endowment Fund large enough to as-

sure sufficient revenue to maintain a Home Office that would serve as a clearinghouse for all matters in which the N.A.D. is interested.

To raise this fund he suggested various ways in which deaf individuals and organizations in all parts of the country could help, such as sponsoring picnics, bazaars, lectures, parties, etc.

He explained the newly-formed Century Club membership in which is open to any deaf person or hearing friends who contribute \$100.00 or more to the Endowment Fund of the N.A.D. To make it possible for those not able to donate a lump sum, he explained how convenient payments starting with an initial \$10.00 can be arranged.

In closing his address, Mr. Peikoff said: "The Clock of Destiny has struck—we must now move forward and keep steadily on the march until we come in sight of our glorious goal."

At the conclusion of Mr. Peikoff's address quite a few of those in attendance signified their willingness either to join the Century Club or contribute smaller amounts.

Mr. Ernest Maertz of Rockford, Illinois, was the first to come forward with a "Century Note" to pay for his membership in the Century Club. Several others eagerly followed suit.

Spurred by the tireless efforts of Chairman Yolles and his assistants, the Endowment Fund has shown gratifyingly rapid gains in the three months since the drive was launched. Starting in mid-December, Mr. Yolles set about organizing the drive with the efficiency of a veteran and by the first of this year he had the machinery in motion. Despite the fact that January is notoriously a poor month during which to solicit contributions, \$682.00 was raised.

Mr. Yolles, who in private life is an executive in a large Milwaukee manufacturing plant, has made more than a dozen extended trips to different sections of the country in the interests of the Drive. These trips were made at his own expense and the time consumed was donated. It has also been noted that he has dug deeply into his own pocket to aid the Fund.

Mr. Peikoff, along with his charming wife, were the first contributors to the Century Club. He, also, donates his time and his travel expenses to Milwaukee were likewise donated.

The evening following the Milwaukee rally, March 5, Mr. Peikoff and Mr. Yolles showed up at a meeting of the Literary Club at the Chicago Club for the Deaf where the former gave an im-

In the picture below, grouped behind the NAD Endowment Fund Display of Contributors are, left to right: Robert Horgen, of Madison, Wis., Rev. A. G. Leisman, of Milwaukee, David Peikoff, of Toronto, Larry Yolles, of Milwaukee, S. Robey Burns, of Chicago, and Julius Salzer, of Milwaukee. Milwaukee photos by Rogers Crocker.



promptly talk about the Fund. Another \$860.00 was raised in cash and pledges and a number of the audience took pledge cards home with them for further study and consideration which will eventually mean more donations. This same feeling is sweeping the width and breath of the land and more and more deaf people are realizing the necessity of increasing the Fund and are giving generously.

Mr. Yolles is very anxious to have other rallies in localities where a good-sized crowd can be assured during the coming year. He is in a position to assist local organizations that wish to stage rallies similar to the one at Milwaukee.

S. Robey Burns of Chicago, President of the American Athletic Associa-

could surmount the impossible. Robert Horgen of Madison, President of the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf, spoke of the feasibility of State Associations working in closer harmony with the N.A.D.

Both floors of the Milwaukee Silent Club were turned over to Mr. Yolles for the rally and the usual rental fee was very generously waived.

Movies were taken of the occasion, and Mr. Yolles wishes to announce that they will be available for showing at other N.A.D. rallies.

(Special Note:—Since this article was written the Fund has received other contributions and is growing so fast it is not possible for your correspondent to keep up with the figures. See thermometer on pg. 16.—Ed.)



tion of the Deaf, who is by no means an unknown among the deaf people of America, and, as a matter of fact, Europe, spoke briefly at the Milwaukee rally of his recent trip to Europe. Mr. Burns described the various deaf clubs and schools he had visited while attending the Olympic Games for the Deaf. He stressed that the American deaf people should be thankful we are not in the plight of our European cousins, who are apparently looked down upon as objects of charity. Mr. Burns advocated a stronger support for the N.A.D. and the establishment of a central headquarters prepared to combat any future move to place the American deaf in a position similar to that of those in Europe.

Another speaker was the Rev. A. G. Leisman of Milwaukee, director of the Wisconsin Service Bureau for the Deaf. Reverend Leisman introduced Mr. Peikoff to the audience as being a man who



DAVID PEIKOFF

The picture on this month's cover shows David Peikoff, of Toronto, in the midst of his electrifying address at Milwaukee. "The clock of Destiny has struck," says Dave, as he calls for support for the NAD and its growing Endowment Fund. Long known for his energy and labors for the deaf of Canada, Dave came down to the Cleveland convention last summer and sounded the call to arms for the NAD. With Larry Yolles, he is pushing the Endowment Fund. The Century Club was one of his ideas.

Rogers Crocker, deaf photographer of Sheboygan, Wis., took this picture, thereby qualifying for The Silent Worker's \$5.00 cover prize.

Below, Rev. A. G. Leisman makes a few introductory remarks before Peikoff took the stage, and at the left Larry Yolles congratulates Robey Burns on the speech he delivered.



# National Association of the Deaf

BYRON B. BURNES, President

ROBERT M. GREENMUN, Secretary-Treasurer

## Report From Committee On Increasing Endowment Fund

\$29,699.54 IN CASH!  
2,979.00 IN PLEDGES!!

**\$32,678.54 TOTAL!!!**

AND at the Cleveland Convention, it was reported that we had \$21,896.44 which means that the Endowment Fund has been increased by \$10,782.10 up to March 15th—in eight months.

The Life Membership roll has been increased by about 150. If we could get 30,000 out of the estimated 85,000 deaf population in the country to enlist as Life Members at \$10 each, we'd be "feeling" the hum of the typewriter keys grinding out letters; the presses running off literature for, and about, the deaf; the office force running here and there stopping legislation against the deaf; the influx of "would-be" teachers for deaf schools; the crushing of the peddling racket; better understanding about the deaf by prospective employers, etc. In other words, a better world for the deaf! Help the N.A.D. by becoming a

fund-raising from the hearing—more about this as fast as things develop!

It will be a catastrophe if the N.A.D. is not able to effect its broad educational program, create better employment facilities, and take such other steps as may represent real progress for persons who are deaf. You understand, of course, that we are aware that there are other groups now operating in some phase of this field, but you will remember that we also realize that the N.A.D. has a big obligation, *sharply defined*, and one which, if achieved, will mean a very great advantage for those to whom hearing is denied.

Meanwhile—remember, *we need your help!* Give what you can. Pass names and addresses along to us of others, hearing or deaf—whom we can approach. We must ALL explore every possible avenue of contributions if this thing is going to put over!!!

LAWRENCE N. YOLLES, Chairman  
6111 N. Berkeley Blvd.  
Milwaukee 11, Wisconsin

### IN MEMORIAM

*Friends of Mrs. Charlotte Wuesthoff, Milwaukee, were shocked to learn of her sudden and untimely death on Monday, March 20, 1950. Only 34, Mrs. Wuesthoff was the first deaf lady to contribute \$100 to the current Endowment Fund Drive. Our deepest sympathy to the family.*

Life Member—and get your friends to enlist, too! Better yet, contribute what you can to the N.A.D. Endowment Fund in addition to becoming a Life Member. \$100 or more will get you into the CENTURY CLUB. The contribution can be of any amount—and if you cannot pay it all at one time, I'll be glad to send you a N.A.D. Pledge Card which will accept your pledge, payable in installments.

Of the nine members of my committee, Messrs. Salzer, Crocker, Duning, and Peikoff, Mrs. Zola, and I have already gone to work. Some are still receiving contributions—some have ceased soliciting contributions until May or so, due to the March 15th Income Tax bugaboo. A breakdown of their campaigns will be featured in a later issue.

I hope to have some good news for you in the next issue or so. New plans are being formulated for large scale

### N.A.D. Gives Trophies

The National Association of the Deaf had the honor of awarding the trophies to the members of the all-star basketball team selected at the recent National tournament in Washington, D. C. First Vice President Lawrence Yolles, who was present in Washington as manager of the Milwaukee team, made the presentations on behalf of the N.A.D. The players selected were: Charles Hart, Los Angeles; J. L. Jackson, Little Rock; Clyde Nutt, Little Rock; Marvin Tuttle, Des Moines; and Thomas Salopek, Pittsburgh.

### Board Meets in New York

Five members of the Executive Board met in New York City on April 8 for a consultation with a public relations representative in connection with a proposed nation-wide campaign to solicit funds for the Endowment Fund, in hopes that a sufficient sum can be raised to establish the home office within a comparatively short time. What was

A proposition submitted by the public relations firm was studied at the meeting and later submitted to all members of the Executive Board. A full report on the meeting and the plans for the Fund campaign will be published as soon as the Board has reached a final decision.

**OUR GOAL**  
A HOME OFFICE  
FOR THE  
N. A. D.

Help Us  
Reach

Our  
Goal!

Mar., '50	\$29,699.54
Feb., '50	25,133.44
Jan., '50	23,898.44
12-31-49	23,216.44
6-30-49	21,896.44
1946	14,752.82
1940	12,698.76
1937	14,740.95
1934	15,116.90
1930	11,151.20
1926	8,365.05
1923	5,387.89
1920	3,510.99
1918	2,878.04
1917	1,592.03
1915	979.04
1913	228.00
1907	28.51

### THE N. A. D. ENDOWMENT FUND THERMOMETER

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MAKE IT CLIMB!

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1142 LIFE MEMBERS AS OF  
DECEMBER 31, 1949

1148 as of January, 1950

1214 as of February, 1950

1274 as of March, 1950

# THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of the DEAF CENTURY CLUB

A ROSTER OF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE N.A.D. WHOSE GENEROSITY IN DONATING  
ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE  
WILL HELP MAKE POSSIBLE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOME OFFICE FOR THE N.A.D.

<b>A</b> Anonymous	<b>Vito Dondiego</b> Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert C. Duning	<b>L</b> Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lau Mrs. J. Stanley Light	<b>Mr. and Mrs. Norman G. Scarvie</b> Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schatzkin Edward L. Scouter Mr. and Mrs. S. Stahl Stuarts Apparel Company
<b>B</b> Kenneth A. Blue Mr. and Mrs. Edmund B. Boatner Mr. and Mrs. Byron B. Burnes	<b>F</b> Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Fischer	<b>M</b> Dr. George M. McClure Ernest R. Maertz	<b>W</b> Mrs. Charlotte Wuesthoff (Deceased)
<b>C</b> Mr. and Mrs. Herman S. Cahen Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Cain Consolidated Apparel Company Charles H. Cory, Jr.	<b>G</b> Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Greenman Seymour M. Gross	<b>P</b> David Peikoff Mrs. David Peikoff Dr. Henry A. Perkins	<b>Y</b> Lawrence N. Yolles Mrs. Lawrence N. Yolles Mrs. Phillip E. Yolles (\$500)
<b>D</b> Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Deitch Frank Doctor	<b>H</b> James O. Hamersly Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Harper	<b>R</b> Dr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Roberts	<b>Z</b> Mr. and Mrs. Philip Zola
	<b>K</b> Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Kannapell Mr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner	<b>S</b> Julius M. Salzer (\$110)	

## A ROSTER OF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE N. A. D. WHO ARE ALSO HELPING IN THE BUILDING OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND

<b>A</b> Adam Hat Stores .....	<b>G</b> Dr. L. A. Gerlach.....	<b>M</b> Mrs. Edward A. Leopold..	<b>T</b> The Shapiro Foundation..
Anonymous .....	5	15	50
W. A. Bechthold..	10	20	Shorewood Floral Shoppe
Mr. and Mrs. H. Berkowitz..	25	10	10
Mr. and Mrs. N. Berkowitz..	50	10	W. Silverstone & Co.....
Benn Berman .....	10	60	10
Miss Emma Bisdorf .....	5	10	Smartwear-Emma Lange ..
Dr. S. S. Blankstein .....	15	10	15
B'dway House of Music.....	10	10	Mr. & Mrs. Carl B. Smith
Bert C. Broude .....	10	10	25
Bruskewitz Funeral Home ..	10	10	Mrs. D. A. Snyder.....
S. Robey Burns .....	20	10	10
<b>C</b>			Dr. W. M. Sonnenburg....
Capitol Liquor Co. ....	5	5	10
Charles F. Cellarius .....	10	5	Bernard Soref .....
Chain Belt Co. ....	10	20	10
T. A. Chapman Co. ....	10	5	Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Soref..
John C. Cleaver .....	10	5	25
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Cox	50	10	Mr. & Mrs. Milton Soref..
Mr. & Mrs. Rogers Crocker .....	1	10	20
Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Cummings ..	10	5	Samuel M. Soref.....
<b>D</b>			10
Arnold Lee Daulton .....	10	10	J. W. Speaker .....
Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Davis, Sr.	10	10	10
Mr. & Mrs. J. A. DeLance..	10	10	George M. Stern .....
N. H. Jack Dengel .....	50	10	10
Duning Furniture Co., Inc..	10	10	Mr. & Mrs. R. J. Stewart
Mr. & Mrs. David W. Duning ..	10	10	50
Walter G. Durian .....	10	10	Dr. G. D. Straus .....
<b>E</b>			10
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Easton ..	2	10	John H. Stutt.....
Alan I. Ettinger .....	10	10	10
Sam Ettinger .....	10	10	<b>T</b>
Mrs. Sam Ettinger .....	50	10	Mr. and Mrs. John M.
<b>F</b>			Tubergen, Jr. ....
Fazio's .....	15	10	10
Mr. & Mrs. Carl O. Friend..	5	10	Dr. Robert Tubergen .....
			10
			<b>U</b>
			B. Urich Co.....
			15
			<b>V</b>
			G. K. Viall.....
			10
			<b>W</b>
			Wald Opticians, Inc.....
			10
			Richard L. Weil .....
			10
			Dr. R. R. Weller .....
			10
			Rabbi & Mrs. D. H. Wice
			10
			Mr. & Mrs. B. R. Williams
			20
			Mrs. M. P. Williams .....
			5
			Wingrove Oil Co.....
			10
			Mrs. Irving Winston .....
			10
			Wis. Independent Oil.....
			5
			Wis. Jewish Chronicle....
			10
			<b>Y</b>
			P. Roberta Yolles .....
			10
			Robert A. Yolles .....
			10
			<b>Z</b>
			Zimmerman Printing Co..
			5
			Emanuel Zola .....
			5

## ★ PLEDGES ★

### \$100 & OVER

S. Robey Burns  
Mr. and Mrs. Rogers Crocker  
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Cumming  
Arnold Lee Daulton  
Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Davis, Sr.  
Mr. and Mrs. John A. DeLance  
Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Elstad

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Jacobs  
Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Kondell  
Mr. and Mrs. Al T. Love  
Mr. and Mrs. Bill A. Lucas  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Hetzel  
Mr. and Mrs. William J. Maiworm  
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Migatz  
Max Mossel

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Schaefer, Sr.  
Mr. and Mrs. Boyce R. Williams  
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence N. Yolles (\$500)

### UP TO \$100

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Armao  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Hodgson  
Mr. and Mrs. Milton Soref

NOTE: When pledges are paid in part or in full from time to time, pledgee's name will be placed in proper column.

When one's donations aggregate \$100 or more, his name will be transferred to The National Association of the Deaf **CENTURY CLUB** roster.

# Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

WESLEY LAURITSEN, *Editor*

## The Front Row

Our experience is that few people like to take a front row seat in church. That is not as it should be. Up in the front row one is nearer the minister, nearer the altar, in a place where it is easier to give one's undivided attention to the sermon and song.

Turning around in our front row seat, we get a good picture of what is going on among the churches for the deaf. We are just

beginning to get our sights focused on the whole scene from a position where we may give the reader of THE SILENT WORKER a good picture of events. Frankly, it is a bright picture, with interest in religious work apparently on the increase.

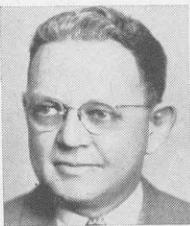
We are especially pleased to have as our "guest speaker" this month Father John W. Higgins, who ministers to the Catholic deaf of Des Moines, Iowa, at St. Ambrose Cathedral, on the third Saturday and third Sunday of each month. As a student in Council Bluffs and Baltimore, Father Higgins learned the sign language during visits to schools for the deaf.

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*Ephetha* is a modern Catholic magazine published monthly for the Catholic deaf of the country. The publication, now in its fiftieth year, prints a guidepost that indicates services for the deaf are held in more than seventy communities throughout the country. News and information of interest to the Catholic deaf fills the sixteen pages of the paper each month.

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The Christian Deaf Fellowship publishes a monthly periodical, *The Silent Evangel*. Now in Volume IV, this paper is published at Norfolk, Virginia, which is the headquarters of the superintendent of the work, John W. Stallings, Jr. Secretary of the Christian Deaf Fellowship is Fern Rolf, of Akron, Ohio. The paper contains sermons, editorials, and news from the field. It is interesting to note that the Third Biennial Convention of the Christian Deaf Fellowship will be held in Los Angeles, California, June 29th to July 6th, 1950.



WESLEY LAURITSEN

Many times we have been asked what IHS stands for. These letters appear on altar crosses and other altar decorations. In Reverend Leisman's *Mission Lane*, we find the following definition: It is an abbreviation for "Jesus (or Jesus) Hominum Salvator," which, translated, means "Jesus the Saviour of Men." I.N.R.I. is an abbreviation of "Jesus Nazarenus Rex Iudeorum," words written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin by Pilate and put on the cross of Christ over the objections of the Jews. Translated, they mean "Jesus of Nazareth the king of the Jews."

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Children in our schools for the deaf throughout the country are ministered to by clergymen of the various faiths. That is a fine thing. Very often these clergymen give non-denominational talks to all of the students in our schools. A letter from our former church editor, J. H. McFarlane, says that Rev. J. W. Gardner, of Little Rock, Ark., missionary to the deaf of the Southern Baptist Convention, addressed the pupils of the Alabama School for the Deaf on the evening of February 1. Rev. Homer Grace, of Denver, Colo., addresses the Minnesota School pupils once a month. He likewise addresses students in other schools on his trips. These talks are invariably delivered in graceful signs and appreciated by the students.

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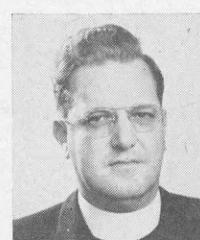
A successful Dixie conference of missionaries and deaf church workers and members was held in Memphis, Tenn., on January 28 and 29. This group of Lutherans of the Missouri Synod was led by the Master Minister, Dr. J. L. Salvner of Minneapolis, who read a paper on "The Call Into the Ministry as It Applies to Our Work Among the Deaf." The Conference is scheduled to meet again in 1951 in St. Louis.

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The Episcopal flock tender at St. Louis, Missouri, the Rev. A. O. Steidemann, received his final summons from on High on February 26. He had been a clergyman to the deaf in the St. Louis area for twenty-two years. The field is now open. The Flying Parson of Milwaukee, the Rev. A. G. Leisman, has been asked to take over.

## Sermon of the Month

The human race is a brotherhood because we can all trace our ancestry to a common heavenly Father, God, and an earthly father, Adam. At his creation, Adam was given certain gifts which elevated him above his natural state; but he sinned, and lost for himself and for us the priceless heritage he might have left. As a result of that sin, man is weak and it is only the Grace of God that is able to make him strong against the assaults of the world, the flesh and the devil.



REV. J. W. HIGGINS  
Chaplain, Catholic  
Deaf of Des Moines

In this weakened state man does foolish things. He has his peaks and valleys physically, spiritually and emotionally. His intellect may dictate the right course of action, but his will may not follow it. He may protest love for his neighbor and yet injure him many times a day. Man will spend thousands of dollars rescuing his fellowman from a mountain peak; but wreck his reputation in an instant by an unguarded word. He may spend hours in an attempt to release a trapped miner, but neglect him once he has brought him to the surface. He may write books about the injustices of the past, and the harshness of present day rulers; and at the same time, refuse his neighbor the use of a driveway. He will donate money to the Community Chest, the Polio Drive and the CROP Program; and yet, be relentless when his tenant owes a month's rent. It seems rather easy to marshal our forces during plagues and epidemics and "drives," but it is so difficult to refrain from the cutting remark day after day.

The answer is that since we are all sons of Adam, we have within us those seven tendencies to evil: pride, covetousness, lust, anger, gluttony, envy and sloth. In our attempts to conquer these tendencies, we must realize that the Grace of God is our most effective weapon. Through prayer, we must ask that God enlighten our intellect to know the Truth, and strengthen our Will to choose the Good. Along with prayer, each man must guard his own thoughts and words, which are the fathers of his acts. If we do that, we will realize that it is more imperative to save the reputation of our neighbor, than to free a battleship from a mud bank.

To conquer our evil tendencies, we must remember the admonition of Christ: "Without Me, you can do nothing." Let us work as though all depended on ourselves, and pray as though all depended on God.



Above is part of the congregation, Los Angeles Baptist Church

## Los Angeles Baptist Church

The Baptist Deaf Center has for its Church School Superintendent Andrew Stirling, elected at the annual business meeting in March, 1948. He has supervised the sessions and activities of the Sunday School with its four classes with ability and enthusiasm. Mr. Stirling qualified for the office by a two-year study course offered by the American Biblical College. He received his ministry diploma in 1949.

Mr. Stirling is assisted by a five-member board of Christian education. The members of this board are Mrs. V. H. Giles, chairman, Mrs. Cora Acheson, R. J. Shade, Mr. Samuelson and Mr. Stirling.

The Baptist Church School is departmentalized to provide adequate instruction for different age groups. The class for junior age is taught by Mrs. V. H. Giles. The teenagers group is the responsibility of Mrs. Raymond Lewis. The young adults class, mostly married couples, is ably led in Bible study by Mrs. Ralph J. Shade. The fine active adult class is taught by George F. Wills.

The staff of the Church School holds monthly workers' conferences to share mutual problems and suggestions for more efficient administration and teaching. These conferences are usually held as informal dinner fellowships in the church parlors. Recently Mr. Hower, the pastor, was invited to conduct a discussion-lecture on the uses of visual aids in presenting Biblical content to the students.

The Reverend Mr. Noble A. Hower, B.D., is conducting a Church School Leadership Training School during the months of April and May. These classes for the teachers in deaf church schools

are being held in cooperation with a similar school being conducted for the hearing leadership.

Fortunately many schools for the deaf permit religious and Sunday School services. Although we may be challenged, the Los Angeles Baptist Church for the Deaf believes the Deaf Center is the only Church for the deaf providing four departmental classes for its congregation in America.

In the Baptist Deaf Center Church School of Los Angeles, Andrew Stirling with his staff of officers and teachers is able to minister to the spiritual and religious needs of any deaf person attending. The church school is fortunate in having students of Oriental or African background. It is a privilege to teach all who seek a better understanding of Christ.

**SPRING PRAYER**  
We thank Thee, Lord, for this rebirth  
Of all Thy living things on earth:  
The healing sun, the warm light air  
And Thy Spring Promise every-  
where.  
For emerald green on field and lawn,  
For glad wild song of birds at dawn,  
For flowers entwined in Nature's hair—  
And Thy kind thought that put them there.

For these and all Thy favors,  
Lord,  
Accept the humble thanks of men;  
Our lives, mold like Thy seasons,  
Lord:  
Spring, Summer, Fall and then—  
Amen.

—FRANCIS CROWE

### The Source of Strength

How bright and steady each bulb is!  
Why? Each bulb is connected by wire to a power house that gives the bulb its strength of light. It is connected to something stronger than itself.

Our lives are like that. By ourselves we are not strong. We need a power stronger than ourselves to guide us on our way. That power is God. — DR. L. M. ELSTAD, President of Gallaudet College.

Church news and pictures should be sent to Wesley Lauritsen, Minnesota School for the Deaf, Faribault, Minn. Copy should be typewritten and double spaced.

Below, left to right: Pastor Hower, Nancy Giles, D. Shade, and Sunday School Supt. Andrew Stirling.



# *SWinging 'round the nation*

## ARKANSAS . . .

The Lonnie Tubbs of Benton are sporting a '50 Oldsmobile "98." It is so big that Lonnie claims he can park all of his five kids in the back seat and they rattle around.

Mrs. Girtha Mae Clark, who is married to a soldier, has returned to the States after living in Japan the past two years. She passed through Little Rock on her way to Ohio recently and spent a few days with her folks before joining her husband and young son.

Among recent visitors to Little Rock have been Norman Brown, Indianapolis, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pairet, Los Angeles, Calif. The Pairets stayed several weeks and took Mrs. Pairet's mother, Mrs. Toby Richardson, home to California with them.

Marfa Smith has come home from the hospital where she was operated upon recently and at this writing she is as well as ever.

Opal Fulmer journeyed to Tulsa, Okla., not long ago to spend a few days visiting with her deaf sister, Mrs. Henry Tyner.

Newly-elected officers of the Little Rock Association of the Deaf are Char-

lotte Collums, pres.; Robert Steed, v-pres.; Robert Marsden, sec'y.; and Race Drake, treas.

Elizabeth Ward and Jack Craig, who were married earlier this year, are planning to make their home in El Dorado, Ark., as soon as the school term comes to an end. Jack is in business in El Dorado.

Latest among our friends to buy a home are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Calhoun who have just moved into a lovely brick house near the school here in Little Rock.

Our Arkansas reporter is Charlotte Collums, 5115 F Street, Little Rock, Ark.

## OKLAHOMA . . .

Naydean McElhaney, 1210 N. Cheyenne Street, Tulsa, Okla., sends us news from Oklahoma this month. We hope that hereafter that state will be represented in our pages each month.

Below are two girl students of the Texas School for the Deaf who participated in a style show for teen-agers on March 14. At the left is Patricia Lou Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hill, of Houston, and at the right is Wanda Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. J. Stephens, of Tornillo, Texas. The show, held on the campus of the University of Texas, was the climax of a program started two years ago by Ernest Hyman, of Yaring's teen-age shop, in Austin. For some time Mr. Hyman has displayed keen interest in the abilities of the deaf girls, and has had them in a number of style shows to prove that defective hearing is not an obstacle to a career in the fashion field. According to reports, Patricia and Wanda stole the hearts of the many people present. This show was one of the outstanding social events of the year, featuring the introduction of the season's debutantes.



Joe Stinson, popular president of the Tulsa club, captain of the local bowling team, and leader in various other organizations around Tulsa, was the surprised recipient of many good wishes and a handsome Parker pen and pencil set the other evening when scores of his friends gathered to honor him upon his birthday.

Edward Hukill directed a bazaar at the Tulsa club in March for the benefit of the athletic association. His tireless efforts were not unrewarded, as was evidenced by an enjoyable evening and a goodly sum of money which went into the association's coffers.

Andy and Melba Warren are the proud new owners of a little cottage for two and are busy these days getting settled in the new abode.

Agnes Gokey took off by plane to Kansas City, Mo., the week end of March 4, to witness the basketball tournament and visit friends. She was thrilled with the plane trip and reports a wonderful time at the club there.

The week-end of March 6, bowlers from Wichita, Kan.; Dallas, Tex.; Houston, Tex.; Ft. Worth, Tex.; Oklahoma City and Tulsa vie for trophies and prize money in the Southwest Bowling Tournament which was organized several years ago and which becomes a bigger affair with each passing year.

Recent visitors in Tulsa were Mr. and Mrs. George Steinhauer of Kansas City, Mo., who spent a couple of days with Mrs. Steinhauer's sister, Clemmie Hukill. Louise and Clemmie greatly miss their other sister, Ola Haynes, who went west to California in mid-January to become the bride of Los Angeles' Herman Vincent.

Opal Fulmer, Little Rock, Ark., also paid a visit to Tulsa where she spent several days with her sister, Mrs. Henry Tyner.

## PENNSYLVANIA . . .

The Women Graduates Club held a card social in the Western Pennsylvania school's gymnasium on Saturday evening, March 4. Mrs. Stella Stangerone headed the affair, ably assisted by Mesdames Diehl, Binnotto and Ludovico. Prizes were won by Harry Zahn, Mrs. Sarver, Adolph Binnotto, Bernard Teitelbaum, and Mrs. J. Mervis. Refreshments were on sale and a tidy profit was realized. The Club is raising funds with which to furnish needed equipment for the school's beauty shop.

Harry Otterman was the lucky winner of a ten-pound ham from a New

Kensington grocery store in a guessing contest. There was a large bologna on display and all one had to do was guess its weight and leave his name and address. Harry missed the exact weight by a mere 3 ounces.

A record number of out-of-towners were noted at the 18th Eastern States Basketball Tournament held at the Western Pennsylvania School on February 23-25. To mention a few: S. Robey Burns, Chicago; Leon Baker, Staunton, Va.; George Brown, Romney, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hopkins, Washington, D. C.; Madeline Mussmann, Trenton, N. J.; Clarence Young and William Stewart, Akron, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Friend, Volant, Pa. Coaches for various teams included Hoffmeister, Rome, N. Y.; Lewellyn, Staunton, Va.; Behrens, Frederick, Md.,

The WPSDA Alumni Association will sponsor a dance and card social in the school gymnasium on May 27.

News items may be sent to Mrs. Ruth G. Ludovico, 910 Brackenridge Ave., Brackenridge, Pa.

#### MICHIGAN . . .

Joseph V. Breitwieser, Jr., art instructor in the Michigan School, Flint, lost his father in the tragic plane crash that killed 15 at Minneapolis, Minn., on the night of March 7th. Dr. Breitwieser was dean of the Graduate School of the University of North Dakota. The son graduated from the North Dakota School for the Deaf and the University of North Dakota. His mother's life was spared only because she had left the ill-fated plane at Chicago to visit him in Flint. The home-going to Grand Forks, N. D., was a sad trip for both of them. Readers of the *SILENT WORKER* extend sympathy to the family.

#### NEW MEXICO . . .

Among the teachers of the New Mexico School for the Deaf taking an 18-week course on "Straight Language for the Deaf—Fitzgerald System" are Florence Dillon, Marian Adams, Alice Lusk, Donald Wilkinson and Mary Sladek. The class meets each week at the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wolach finally got that '46 Chevrolet from Colorado. Relatives of Marvin's came down to Santa Fe the end of February and drove the car down for them.

Ernest Carrillo, an employee at the Santa Fe school, is in the hospital suffering from an inflammation of the hands. Although he is faced with a long sojourn in the hospital, he is doing fairly well at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Correa of Albuquerque visited the Santa Fe school recently, to see Mrs. Correa's sister Esperanza who is a student at the school. They brought along their new baby boy



The baby above seems quite unconcerned over the prospect of being crowned by a bottle of milk. J. Ingram Lester, Phoenix, is preparing to christen the doll while his wife looks on. Lester, an Intertype operator on the Arizona Republic and Phoenix Gazette, was awarded a prize of \$100 for giving a new name to the baby, which rides atop a Crosley truck operated by a diaper service company. Lester's suggested name, "Dee-Dee" won over hundreds of others submitted mostly by the weaker sex. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lester are graduates of the Kentucky School for the Deaf, Danville. Mr. Lester is treasurer of the Phoenix YMCA Club of the Deaf.

Bob Wilcox Photo.

whom Esperanza had never seen.

The Thomas Dillons spent March 12 in Albuquerque visiting with relatives.

News of New Mexico should be sent to Mary Sladek, School for the Deaf, Santa Fe, except during June, July and August when she can be reached at 3249 East 15th Street, Long Beach, Calif.

#### IOWA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Osborne have taken up residence in Sioux City since Wayne gave up his job with the Pepsi-Cola Company in Spencer, Ia. He promptly secured employment with the same company in Sioux City and Mrs. Osborne is working at Pilley Produce.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rewolinski are proud of their daughter Rosemary, who graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in Council Bluffs recently and is now attending a business college in Omaha, Neb.

Kellogg Wells, son of Mrs. Helen Wells, Sioux City, is still in Okinawa, Japan, where he has been employed for some time. Kellogg holds a civil service position as Director of Education there and expects his work to continue for another year.

Members of the Soo Silent Club are currently being swept by the canasta craze. They greatly enjoyed two recent canasta parties given by Mr. and Mrs.

Donald Haines and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hurwitz. The weather has been bad, though, and the roads so icy and dangerous that many out-of-town members have been unable to attend.

#### MARYLAND . . .

Margaret McKellar, a teacher in the colored department of the deaf at the Maryland School for the Blind, under-

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Yes buddy, the baseball season is on!

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MARCUS L. KENNER

Frustration — Some among us may have experienced varying degrees of frustration in the past, due to the so-called "handicap" of deafness. This is especially true of those bereft of hearing late in life. But the deaf men and women we revere and remember are those who, with 2 strikes against them, have stopped bothering about lack of opportunities and stood up waiting for the 3d! No, we're not worried about our ability to produce. Given the chance, it only takes one strike to make a hit! As the late Mr. Edward Bok once wrote me during my tender years: "I certainly hope that you will forge ahead, despite the obstacles which confront you, remembering that if you succeed under these conditions, the credit will be greater." I am glad to pass on this sage advice, especially to our youthful friends.

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"Ah, not so bad; was it a good ball game?"

"No, it WAS his grandmother's funeral!"

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**Publicity**—The way the deaf have been activating themselves in numerous lines is gradually drawing more and more publicity of the kind we like to see. This SILENT WORKER, with its many features on what we deaf can do has helped no end toward attracting public attention. The NAD appeal for funds is gradually becoming known to many people. Yes, people are learning things about us, and we are getting into the big magazines. Some time ago *Newsweek* had a nice piece about St. Ann's Church in New York, with a picture of some of St. Ann's lovely sign-singers. More recently *Coronet* featured an informative article about Gallaudet College. If plans now brewing in NAD officialdom work out as planned, within the next year or so the deaf will be attracting attention in all corners of our vast land.

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**That Endowment Fund** — 'Tis easy enough to be swept along in the stream of fun and excitement incident to any NAD Convention. But, let's admit it: our greatest obstacles are the lethargy and the indifference shown between conventions. Ever notice that those who are quickest to criticize are slowest when asked to contribute their bit? A salute, then, to Vice President Larry Yolles! He is boosting our Endowment Fund in energetic fashion as never before. Credit, too, is due to his capable Committee, especially our dynamic Canadian cousin, Dave Peikoff. Their report at the Texas Convention will assuredly be exciting enough to make our hearts thump!

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"Charles C. Sharman"

## Swinging . . .

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went surgery at Sibley Hospital in Washington the first week of February. Elizabeth Moss was hired to substitute for her. Margaret returned to her duties the second Monday in March.

The Homecoming at the Maryland school in Frederick, March 18, was attended by at least 200 alumni and visitors from many parts of Maryland and Washington. The Ely Literary Society presented a very good play, "The Mystery of the Green Snake Charm," in three acts under the direction of Elvira Wohlstrom and her committee. It was followed by three basketball games in the gym; married men vs. single men, 39-23; alumni girls vs. MSSD girls, 17-17; and alumni men vs. MSSD boys, 45-47. Supt. and Mrs. Ignatius Bjorlee proved themselves delightful hosts.

Not long ago August Wriede delivered a reading, "Cyrano De Bergerac," by Rostand, at the Silent Oriole Club and hardly a pair of eyes were turned from him during the entire delivery. We hope that his story-telling will be repeated early and often at the SOC.

Harry Baynes, Alabama school printing instructor, visited in Baltimore the end of the year for the burial of his aged father. His many friends were delighted to see the picture of his lovely daughter, Connie, on the cover of the March SILENT WORKER.

Please send Maryland news items to Elizabeth Moss, 614 Reservoir Street, Baltimore 17.

## MISSOURI . . .

Mrs. Myrtle Byrne, of Delavan, Wis., is spending the winter with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wofe. Mr. Wofe established his own cleaning business in January and is now counted among the deaf who have their own business.

Never were the deaf of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, Inc., so busy as during the Fifth Annual MAAD tournament held March 3rd and 4th. The supposedly ample clubrooms proved too small when the crowd came over after Drexel Hall closed at midnight. All seats were filled, and all standing room was taken, leaving very little space for those who love to dance. The MAAD proved very successful, and a grand time was had by members, friends, and visitors alike. Applause goes to Pat McPherson who managed the affair as general chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson and son Benny, and Phillip Annarino, of Chicago, Ill., stopped in Kansas City for the tournament. They were on their vacation, going to Jackson, Miss., to "introduce" their son to Jim's parents,

and then on to Florida.

The Albert Stacks had Francis and John Mog and Bob Merritt with them for a week previous to the tournament. The Pat McPhersons had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Treuke of Omaha, Neb., and Charles Billings of Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Josie Ackles shared her apartment with Mrs. Dolly Flood, of Omaha, Neb.; the Francis Reillys entertained Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hansen, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Mrs. Besse Roglitz, of St. Louis, Mo.; Herbert Votaw, of Denver, Colo., stayed with the Booth family; Sonny Bock's fiancee, Olive Hohlt, of St. Louis, Mo., stayed with the August Webers.

Mrs. Iona Simpson, of Denver, Colo., spent the week afterwards with her sister, Mrs. Mina Reed, in nearby Olathe, Kan.

Luther Stack came up from Little Rock, Ark., March 11, in his new '50 Pontiac. The Little Rock Silents will find Luther and LaVerne Stack accompanying them to the Nationals in Washington, D. C.

Now that the MAAD is over for another year, our attention turns to the Centennial Celebration of Kansas City, Mo. After a week, beards were in evidence aplenty. The neatest one, so far, belongs to Donald Hyde.

The annual Sportsmanship Trophy of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, Inc., for the 1949-1950 season went to player Bob Merritt, for his good work and sportsmanship in keeping the KCCD team going. Last year's award went to Albert Stack, coach.

Visitors recently were Alex Pavalka, Joe Navarro and Jack Hensley, all from Austin, Tex. Dorothy Weber accompanied the boys to Kansas City to visit her parents, the Andrew Webers.

Harriett Booth journeyed to Chicago the week end of March 25 to visit James and Mary Helen Jackson and take in the basketball game between the Kansas City, Mo., and Chicago teams.

#### MINNESOTA . . .

The annual banquet of the Minnesota Chapter of the GCAA was held April 15 at the Hotel Faribault in Faribault, Minn. Following the sumptuous feed, a business session was called to order and new officers installed for the coming year. Maurice Potter, Windom, Minn., was seen at Thompson Hall March 4, apparently bent upon urgent business. He was, too, because it turned out that

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he was busily selling tickets to the Southern Minnesota Club's banquet scheduled for April 22 at Albert Lea to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the founding of the club. About 35 tickets

have been sold and we understand that Alby Peterson plans on chartering a special bus to accommodate those who have no other means of transportation.

Sheldon Taubert, one of the most

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ambitious young men hereabouts, went into the printing business with a hearing partner in February. Their shop, to be known as Ward and Taubert Printing Co., is located in the Gateway Building in Minneapolis. They will specialize in letterheads. Sheldon is still employed at Brown and Bigelow's and considers his new venture merely a sideline. However, the new business is doing well. If it expands to such an extent that it requires more of his time, Sheldon will most likely quit his present job and devote all his attention to the new business.

Sam Sagel represented Minnesota at the annual Midwest basketball tournament, held at Kansas City, Mo., though Minnesota did not compete in this year's games.

#### OREGON . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lynch of Portland have purchased a brand new Ford sedan and drove down to Salem March 16, before turning eastward toward Washington, D. C. They will there take in the National Basketball Tournament the first week of April. They will return home to Portland sometime in May.

The Salem Chapter of the Oregon Association of the Deaf gave a very interesting literary program at their meeting in the Mayflower Hall March 18. All praise is due Messrs. Olaf Tollefson, Jimmy Jackson and Kenneth Jamieson, who comprised the committee. Among the evening's speakers were Thomas Ulmer, Mrs. Lois Houser, Royal Teets, Mrs. Edwin Stortz and John O'Brien,

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with Master of Ceremonies Tollefson "filling in" with amusing anecdotes. A poem, "The Highwayman," rendered by Mr. Teets, promises to become a great favorite with the deaf.

A short business meeting was held later in the evening, during which it was agreed not to hold an annual banquet this year. A box social in May is scheduled instead.

#### CALIFORNIA . . .

Peggy Neitzie of San Diego is enrolled in a local business college where she is studying to become a comptometer operator. Latest reports are that she is proceeding admirably.

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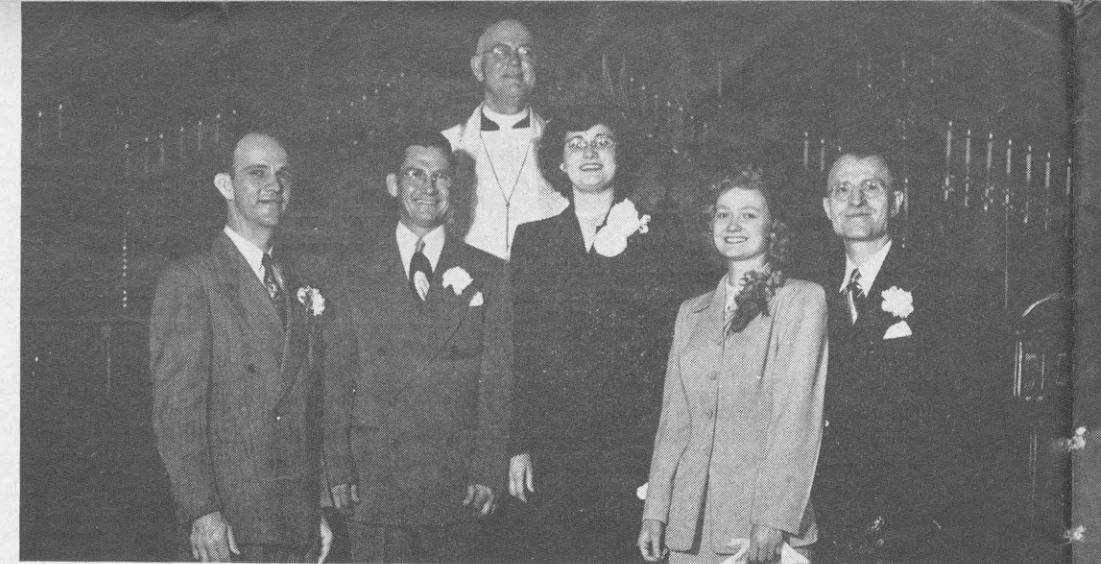
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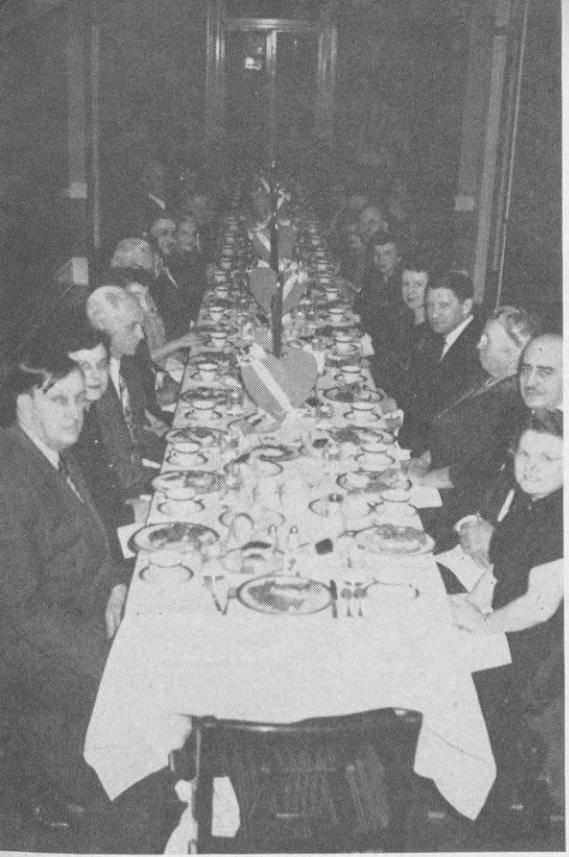


are residing in Lemon Grove, Calif., where Clifford has bought a Shell gas service station since his retirement after twenty years of service in the Navy. He still has not become adjusted to civilian life and finds it strange, but Charlotte says she is glad to have him out of the service so that they can settle down in one place for a change.

Monroe Jacobs is recuperating nicely after suffering a heart attack which put him in the hospital for three weeks. He seems to be enjoying the enforced rest and finds great enjoyment in catching up on his reading, viewing television and passing the time of day with friends who call to cheer him. They are rather disconcerted at finding Monroe in such good spirits that he needs little cheering.

Louis Byouk was hospitalized for the first time in ages, in order to recover from a minor operation. He seemed to enjoy the experience and lost such a lot of poundage he looks more like a football player again and less like a wrestler.

The Merle Christensens are happily settled in their new home over the hills in Concord in a new development known as Gregory Gardens. They say they have wonderful neighbors and plenty of playmates for their children, and are near a new school building.



Above, Pittsburgh, Penn., Gallaudet College Alumni Assn. annual dinner on Feb. 4. Host and hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Sam B. Craig, Miss Irene Hodock, and Kathleen Parker. Dinner took place at the Western Penn. school, of which Mr. Craig is superintendent.

The Olaf Kviens have also bought a new home located in the hills of East Oakland, just above the Montclair District. It is indeed the showplace hereabouts of homes owned by the deaf and you must see it to believe its splendor.

The Andy MacConos are pretty busy these days with the new addition to the family. Andy has become quite proficient in the care of infant Agatha. He even brags that he can prepare her formula with one hand while washing diapers with the other.

On March 25 a miscellaneous shower was given for Florita Tellez of San Francisco who is to marry Charles Corey April 16. Hostesses were Mesdames Berta Guerre, Sally Miller, Victoria Martucci, Mattie Emerick, Mabel Conaway and Miss Helen Coffey.

The joint Frat Smoker held at the San Francisco club the other Saturday evening attracted some eighty members from both sides of the Bay. The evening was spent in partaking of free refreshments, playing pool, canasta, chess, and chewing the fat generally. Alvin Brother went home five dollars richer from the drawing, while the rest went home poorer.

Denver Pankey is to be congratulated upon landing a job as machinist at Callahan, Calif. After being unemployed for quite some time, Denver is glad to be back at work again though he is sorry to have to leave his friends

## NEW YORK . . .

There was a big turnout for the Swedish movie, "The Happy Tailor," with English subtitles, presented February 25 by the Brooklyn Protestant Guild of the Deaf. After the movie, Charles Moscovitz of South Carolina treated the spectators to various tricks by his wonder dog, Butch. There were many new faces among the regulars.

The Metropolitan Chapter of the GCAA celebrated its 41st anniversary with a dinner at the Jumble Shop restaurant on West 8th Street, Manhattan, Saturday evening, February 4. Margaret E. Jackson was mistress of ceremonies. Speakers included Dr. Leonard Elstad of Gallaudet College; Mr. Charles A. Bradford, superintendent of the New York school, White Plains; the Rev. Dr. Edwin W. Nies, vicar of St. Ann's Church, and Mrs. Harry A. Gillen, president of the Metropolitan Chapter.

The hat you have been seeing Leo Ahonen wearing lately is a gift from a relative in Finland. It resembles the typical headgear usually worn by the Russians, a brimless fur hat Cossack style, and Leo attracts considerable attention. He says that on the subway or the elevated, people usually take one good look and thereafter keep their faces averted.

## WASHINGTON . . .

The month of February was quite exciting, after a quiet January when Seattle residents stayed home due to the unusually cold weather. However the first weekend in February found most of the downtown clubs filled and a large number attended the PSAD meeting the second Saturday when the annual elections

took place. Elected to serve for the coming year were: pres., Helen Wallace; v-pres. Guy Wonder; sec'y, Jack Kinney; treas., Oscar Sanders.

A goodly crowd attended the recent party held at Norway Hall by the bowling club, an independent organization of bowlers interested in competing in the annual Pacific Coast tournaments to be held in Los Angeles in May.

The last weekend in February will long be remembered by the "young" Dramatic Club of Seattle, not only for its unusual celebration of the first anniversary, but for the eleven-and-a-half-pound ham bought by the boys and baked by Helen Wallace.

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# SPORTS

# LITTLE ROCK COPS NATIONAL BASKETBALL CROWN

*By F. LEON BAKER*

In a grand finale from which spectators' hearts may never fully recover, Little Rock battled its way to victory over Des Moines, 60-58, to clinch the championship during the Sixth Annual National Basketball Tournament of the AAAD. Third place went to Los Angeles, the only team which has yet to miss a national tourney. Milwaukee and Pittsburgh were fourth and fifth respectively, followed by the District of Columbia, Palmetto (Spartanburg) and Worcester teams, in that order.

Chosen to the All-Tourney Team were Clyde Nutt and J. L. Jackson, Little Rock; Marvin Tuttle, Des Moines;

Thomas Salopek, Pittsburgh, and Charles Hart, Los Angeles.

The outstanding player award went to J. L. Jackson of Little Rock. High-point man award was won by Clyde Nutt of Little Rock, with a total of 60 points in three games.

The free throw award, originally believed a tie between Larry Marxer and Marvin Tuttle, both of Des Moines, went to John Schumacher of the D. C. team.

The Palmetto Club, Spartanburg, S.C., was awarded the team sportsmanship trophy. The individual sportsmanship trophy donated by THE SILENT WORKER went to Marvin Tuttle, Des Moines.

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Host club was District of Columbia Club of the Deaf. The attendance, totaling an estimated 3,000 at the Armory during the weekend, March 31-April 1, is said to constitute a new record. Those on the tourney committee were: L. M. Elstad, President of Gallaudet College, Honorary Chairman; Robert F. Hopkins, General Chairman; Reuben I. Altizer, Co-Chairman; Gunnar E. Rath, Merle Goodin, Albert J. Rose, Larry Ward, Ernest Schuster, John V. Wurde-mann, Ruth Isaacson, Edward Carr, Wallace D. Edington and Irving Hoberman.



MILWAUKEE SILENT CLUB. Left to right, standing: Asst. Mgr. Larry Yolles, Mgr. Floyd Baumann, Donald Renick, Wallace Renick, Robert Ziarnik, Donald Bednarski, Donald Peterson, and Trainer A. Petersen. Kneeling: Coach Anthony Panella, Roman Gapinski, Louis Volpintesta, Jesse Ramos, and Hilary Heck. Rogers Crocker Photo.

PALMETTO CLUB OF THE DEAF. Standing: Richard Williams, Charles Kendrick, Oscar Shirley, Albert Gibson, and Thomas Ligon. Kneeling: Coach Max Brown, Ralph Barnes, and Joe Looney. Not in picture: Mgr. Fred Yates, Elliott Sprouse, Bain Phillips, Carlisle Saunders, and Rodney Saunders.



D. C. CLUB OF THE DEAF. L. to R.: Equipment Mgr. Milton Corman, Jose Berrios, George Watson, Donald Padden, Jason Ammons, Conrad Stedrak, Tom Cascaden, Myron Lundmark, Roger Scott, Robert Lange, John Schumacher, and Mgr. Robert Hopkins. Coach Irving Hoberman holding ball.

LITTLE ROCK ASSN. OF THE DEAF. Back row: Coach James Collums, J. L. Jackson, Maxwell Mercer, William Fields, Mgr. Robert Marsden. Front row: Luther Stack, Robert Steed, Robert Worrell, Wallis Beaty. Missing from picture: Clyde Nutt and Jack Owen. This team won the hearts of the crowd with its game battle to the top.

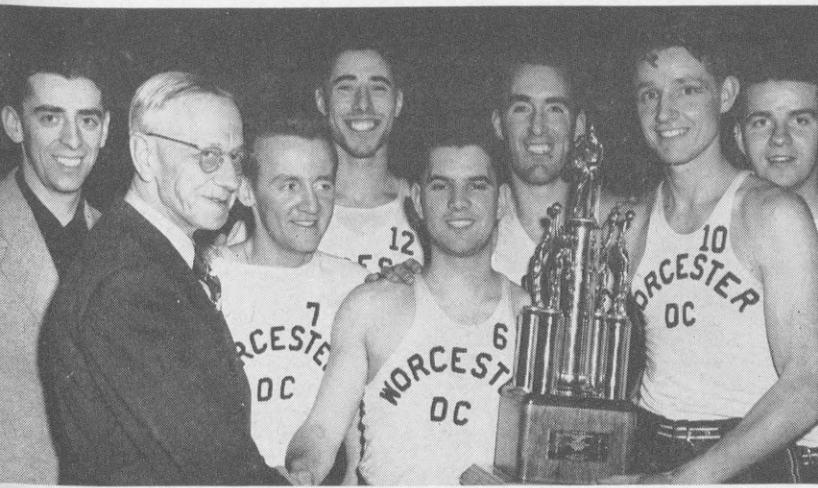




LOS ANGELES CLUB OF THE DEAF. Back row: Coach Lou Dyer, Melwin Sorensen, Paul Loveland, Tony Jelaco, Mgr. Becky Elliott (the tourney's only girl manager). Front row: Charles Hart (inset), Bob Skinner, Saul Brandt, Bob Grinde, Roger Skinner.



DES MOINES SILENT CLUB. Left to right: Business Mgr. Earl Siders, Wilbur Sawhill, Larry Buchholz, LeRoy Good, Donald Ross, Marvin Tuttle, Nick Routan, Larry Marxer, Harold Poch, Roger Dempewolfe, Dan Hill, Dale Van Hemert, and Coach Louis Brundige.



WORCESTER DEAF CLUB. New England Tourney co-chairman Arthur Enger presents trophy to Worcester Deaf Club. Left to right: Coach Calvin Tandy, Enger, George Trudeau (7), Al Fox (12), Co-Capt. John Phillips (6), Co-Capt. Ken Monahan, Ernie Ovitt (10), and John Winters.

Los Angeles 49, District of Columbia 47

Los Angeles edged D.C.C.D., 49-47 in a thrill-packed opening game. The game was neck-and-neck from start to finish, with both teams appearing about even.

D.C.C.D. lost many chances in the first half, missing numerous easy lay-ups and free throws. However, the score at the half was 21-20, in favor of D.C.C.D.

At the start of the final period it was 33-33. Then Los Angeles' veteran stars, Loveland and Hart, got hot. D.C.C.D. countered with Berrios and Cuscaden. Grinde sank a snowbird to put Los Angeles in front with 45 seconds to go. Then the winners held the ball until the final gun.

This was the best game of the Friday evening session.

Los Angeles			Washington				
	FG	FT	TP		FG	FT	TP
Loveland	5	6	16	Cuscaden	2	5	9
Jelaco	2	4	8	Schumacher	3	7	13
Hart	5	6	16	Berrios	3	0	6
Sorensen	0	1	1	Scott	3	3	9
Brandt	1	0	2	Lange	0	0	0
Grinde	2	0	4	Padden	2	1	5
B. Skinner	0	1	1	Stedrak	2	1	5
R. Skinner	0	1	1	Watson	0	0	0
	15	19	49-		15	17	47

Little Rock 61, Worcester 23

For one quarter, Worcester gave Little Rock's smooth quintet a hot battle, but there-

after was able to do nothing. At the end of the initial period it was 11-10, Little Rock, and at the half it was 29-18.

Little Rock, led by two super-duper forwards, Clyde Nutt and Wallis Beatty, caught fire after intermission and led their team to a rout over outclassed Worcester. The latter team was held to a single point in the third stanza.

Little Rock				Worcester			
	FG	FT	TP		FG	FT	TP
Beatty	7	1	15	Trudeau	3	2	8
Nutt	10	3	23	Philip	3	1	7
Jackson	3	3	9	Ovitt	2	1	5
Mercer	4	2	10	Monahan	0	0	0
Steed	0	1	1	Tucker	0	0	0
Owens	1	0	2	Fox	1	0	2
Fields	0	0	0	Pontbriand	0	0	0
Worrell	0	1	1	Winters	0	1	1
Stack	0	0	0				

Des Moines 49, Spartanburg 27

Des Moines had too much class for Spartanburg in Game No. 3 and won easily, 49 to 27. The losers held the Iowans fairly well in check during the early stages, but ran out of steam in the second half. Score at the end of the first quarter was 8-4, Des Moines, and 26-10 at the half.

Tuttle (16) and Marxer (15) were the big guns in the Des Moines offensive. Sprouse was high for Spartanburg, with seven.

Des Moines				Spartanburg			
	FG	FT	TP		FG	FT	TP
Good	1	2	4	Shirley	1	0	2
Ross	1	1	3	Williams	1	0	2
Tuttle	6	4	16	R. Saunders	1	4	6
Marxer	5	5	15	Phillips	1	0	2
Buchholz	2	0	4	Kendrick	1	1	3
Sawhill	2	0	4	Gibson	1	1	3
Dempewolfe	1	1	3	C. Saunders	1	0	2
				Sprouse	2	3	7

	Score by quarters:	18	13	49	9	9	27
Des Moines		8	26	40	49		
Spartanburg		4	10	14	27		

Pittsburgh 44, Milwaukee 31

Pittsburgh and Milwaukee fought evenly for three periods but in the fourth canto Pittsburgh made a runaway of it.

Milwaukee led at the half, 16-13. Then Pittsburgh's two stellar veterans, Salopek and Crino, led their team on a rally that saw the Milwaukeeans steadily falling behind.

Pittsburgh			Milwaukee				
	FG	FT	TP		FG	FT	TP
Salopek	10	1	21	Heck	5	2	12
Payne	5	0	10	W. Reinick	2	2	6
Crino	3	2	8	D. Reinick	2	0	4
Buzzard	0	1	1	Hinek	0	0	0
Conti	1	0	2	Peterson	2	1	5
Alexander	0	0	0	Volpintesta	0	0	0
Russell	1	0	2	Gapisinski	0	0	0
				Ziarnik	2	0	4
				Bednarski	0	0	0
				Ramos	0	0	0

Score by quarters:	20	4	44	13	5	31
Pittsburgh	6	13	25	44		
Milwaukee	9	16	21	31		

### Washington 66, Worcester 32

D.C.C.D. did not resemble the team that lost to Los Angeles the night before. From the opening gun the District boys exhibited smooth teamwork and sharp shooting and proceeded to smother Worcester, 66 to 32. Half time score was 35-13.

Trudeau, scrappy forward for the losers, took scoring honors with 14 points, while nine players figured in the scoring for D.C.C.D.

Washington			Worcester				
FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP		
Cuscaden	5	3	13	Trudeau	6	2	14
Berrios	5	0	10	Tucker	0	0	0
Schumacher	3	2	8	Philip	1	0	2
Ammons	1	0	2	Tandy	1	1	3
Scott	4	2	10	Winters	0	0	0
Lange	4	0	8	Ovitt	3	4	10
Stedrak	3	2	8	Monahan	1	0	2
Padden	1	0	2	Fox	0	1	1
Watson	0	0	0	Pontbriand	0	0	0
Lundmark	2	1	5				
	28	10	66		12	8	32

Score by quarters:

Washington	22	35	53	66
Worcester	8	13	19	32

### Little Rock 43, Los Angeles 31

Little Rock played a slow, cautious brand of ball to outlast Los Angeles, 43 to 31, in a well played semi-final game. Nutt and Beatty with 20 and 10 points, respectively, supplied the offense.

Little Rock			Los Angeles				
FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP		
Nutt	8	4	20	Loveland	2	2	6
Beatty	5	0	10	Jelaco	3	3	9
Jackson	2	3	7	Hart	6	3	15
Mercer	2	1	5	Sorensen	0	0	0
Steed	0	1	1	Brandy	0	0	0
Fields	0	0	0	Grinde	0	0	0
	17	9	43	B. Skinner	0	1	1
					11	9	31

Score by quarters:	9	20	31	43
Little Rock	9	14	22	31

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### Des Moines 44, Pittsburgh 43

In the most spine-tingling game of the tourney up to this point, Des Moines came from behind in the last few seconds to defeat Pittsburgh, 44-43, and reach the finals.

With 20 seconds to play, Pittsburgh led, 42 to 40. Then Sawhill was fouled and made good on both chances to tie the game, 42-42. Taking the ball out of bounds, Ross of Des Moines stalled till time was almost gone, tossed a long one that missed, recovered on a rebound and made good. Salopek sank a free throw for Pittsburgh, but the gun sounded seconds later.

Salopek, Pittsburgh's brilliant forward, made 24 points and did a fine all-around job.

Marvin Tuttle spear-headed Des Moines to its stirring win, chalking up 18 points. Dempewolfe and Sawhill did good work on defense.

Des Moines			Pittsburgh				
FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP		
Tuttle	5	8	18	Payne	0	1	1
Buchholz	0	1	1	Alexander	1	0	2
Marxer	3	3	9	Salopek	10	4	24
Ross	3	3	9	Conti	1	3	5
Sawhill	0	3	3	Crino	3	3	9
Dempewolfe	2	0	4	Russell	0	0	0
Good	0	0	0	Buzzard	0	0	0
				John	1	0	2
	13	18	44		16	11	43

Score by quarters:

Des Moines	3	15	29	44
Pittsburgh	9	21	32	43

### Milwaukee 30, Pittsburgh 27

### Los Angeles 43, Washington 35

Los Angeles, after apparently being left behind at the start, rallied strongly to defeat the "hot and cold" host D.C.C.D. team, 43 to 35. It was a repeat performance by Los Angeles.

Los Angeles			Washington				
FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP		
Cuscaden	2	0	4	Loveland	2	3	7
Berrios	0	0	0	Jelaco	4	7	15
Schumacher	4	5	13	Hart	7	0	14
Ammons	0	0	0	B. Skinner	1	0	2
Scott	2	1	5	Brandt	0	1	1
Lange	1	0	2	Grinde	0	0	0
Stedrak	1	1	3	Stedrak	2	0	4
Padden	0	0	0	Watson	0	0	0
Watson	2	4	8	Sorenson	0	0	0
Lundmark	0	0	0	Padden	12	11	35
							16
							11
							43

Score by quarters:

Los Angeles	8	12	27	43
Washington	12	20	26	35

### Milwaukee 30, Pittsburgh 27

A well coached Milwaukee team turned the tables on Pittsburgh and captured a 30-27 decision.

The winners' sharp zone defense muzzled the big guns of the Pittsburgh attack, Salopek and Crino. In the meantime, Milwaukee's fine center, Petersen, warmed up and collected 17 points. His mates all played good ball behind him.

Milwaukee			Pittsburgh				
FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP		
Heck	1	2	4	Payne	0	0	0
Ramos	0	2	2	Alexander	2	0	4
W. Reinick	2	1	5	Salopek	3	0	6
Hinek	0	0	0	Conti	0	0	0
Peterson	8	1	17	Crino	1	5	7
Ziarnik....	0	0	0	John	2	0	4
Gapinski	0	0	0	Russell	0	0	0
Volpintesta	1	0	2	Altheide	3	0	6
D. Reinick	0	0	0	Hezlep	0	0	0
				Buzzard	0	0	0
	12	6	30		11	5	27

Score by quarters:

Milwaukee	11	17	24	30
Pittsburgh	16	19	19	27

### CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

#### Little Rock 60, Des Moines 58

There's no doubt about it—in the kind of a game that is a spectator's dream, Little Rock won the championship by outfighting Des Moines, 60 to 58. At the half it was 30-30.

The lead changed hands no less than six times—and never more than two points separated the two fine teams a greater part of the game.

Little Rock, led by its two flashy forwards, Nutt and Beatty, and its splendid 6 foot 4 inch center, Jackson, showed its championship calibre by refusing to give up time and time again.

The same can be said for Des Moines. Its clever forward, Tuttle, time after time sparked a rally that threatened to be decisive. In the end, the breaks of the game went to Little Rock, which is every inch a championship team.

Little Rock			Des Moines				
FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP		
Nutt	7	3	17	Tuttle	9	1	19
Beatty	9	2	20	Buchholz	4	1	9
Jackson	9	2	20	Marxer	1	4	6
Mercer	0	0	0	Ross	5	4	14
Steed	0	3	3	Sawhill	1	4	6
Owens	0	0	0	Dempewolfe	2	0	4
Stack	0	0	0				
	25	10	60				22
							14
							58

Score by quarters:	19	30	42	60
Little Rock	1430	40	58	



Opening Game toss-up, Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia Schools for Deaf

## FANWOOD AGAIN EASTERN SCHOOLS CHAMP

By F. LEON BAKER

**18th Eastern Schools for the Deaf Basketball Tournament sees New York in second straight win, followed by Mt. Airy and St. Mary's of Buffalo**

**N**EW YORK SCHOOL for the Deaf (Fanwood), for the second straight year, is basketball champion of the Eastern Schools for the Deaf.

The Fanwood boys won their right to the title by coming in first at the eighteenth annual tournament held this year on February 23-24-25 at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, Edgewood, Pittsburgh.

New York defeated Pennsylvania (Mt. Airy), 57 to 48, in the grand finale. St. Mary's of Buffalo took third place honors with an easy 63 to 41 conquest of the host Western Pennsylvania School boys in the preliminary game.

Altogether, thirteen teams took part in this all-time great tournament. It took twenty-two games to decide the issue. Many of the games were of the spine-tingling variety. In all probability, never have so many school boy stars been assembled under one roof at the same time.

Superintendent and Mrs. Sam B. Craig, as well as the rest of the fine people at the Edgewood School, are deserving of the highest praise for their gracious hospitality and for the exceedingly well-arranged schedule of events. They made a success of a very difficult affair.

*Editor's Note: This annual basketball tournament of the Eastern Schools for the Deaf is the only sectional tournament which is still in existence. In the past there were four other sectional tournaments of schools for the deaf, namely: Central, Midwest, Southeast and Southwest, but those groups were discontinued for various reasons. We still feel schools of those groups, as well as Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast should get together and stage a tournament. Surely there is a way to work this matter out to the satisfaction and happiness of all.*

*These tournaments, in our opinion, serve a very useful purpose. They bring the students of schools together who normally would not be likely to meet. The spirit of comradeship is developed, and it is very noticeable how this spirit has improved from year to year during the eighteen years that the Eastern Schools for the Deaf tournament has existed.*

Although the New York boys took top honors, a never-say-die group of boys

from Mt. Airy won the hearts of the tremendously large crowd at the finals, played on the spacious Wilkinsburg High School court. Led by their fine center, John Bingham, the Mt. Airy boys led 42 to 37 at the start of the final period.

At this point Ed Matthews and Bill Malone, New York's flashy colored boys, took personal charge, and poured in point after point to win going away.

Previously, Mt. Airy had won its way to the finals by upsetting highly favored St. Mary's, 50 to 48. Again it was Bingham leading the way. St. Mary's, captained by its incomparable Dan Pordum, had generally been expected to meet Fanwood in the finals. Bingham and his mates took care of that.

Another classy team was that representing St. Joseph's, led by Bob Lagomarsini. The St. Joseph boys had the misfortune to run into St. Mary's not once—but twice—and were defeated both times, 54 to 44 and 36 to 34. An oddity of the second game was that two St. Joseph boys, jumping for a rebound, knocked the ball into the St. Mary's goal, providing the latter team with two very important points.

Another thrilling upset along the

tournament trail was provided by Maryland, which defeated New Jersey, 45 to 38, in an overtime game. The Maryland team was led by two small sharpshooters, Donald Leitch and Nathan Kambar.

New York, truly a great team, had a ridiculously easy time in advancing to the finals. Its first opponent, Virginia, was weakened beyond repair when its star, Leo Yates, was ruled ineligible. Two other first stringers sat out the tournament, also. Virginia fell, 85 to 43. New York reached the finals by trouncing Western Pennsylvania, 72 to 44.

Most of the other games ran according to script. Each team had at least one individual star, and several teams exhibited marvelous teamwork. Our vote for the best-coached team is Coach John Rybak's St. Mary's squad. That boy Dan Pordum could make any college team a fine player.

The trophy for the best man at the free throw line went to Robert Lagomarsini of the St. Joseph's school. He sank 22 out of 25. Closest competitor was Joe Hutton of New Jersey with 20 out of 25.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Rome 48, Rhode Island 44  
Western Penna. 45, West Virginia 34  
Mt. Airy 45, Kendall 27  
Maryland 45, New Jersey 38  
St. Joseph's 46, American 28  
Fanwood 85, Virginia 43  
Western Penna. 92, Rome 32  
Mt. Airy 70, Maryland 26  
St. Mary's 54, St. Joseph's 44  
Fanwood 72, Western Penna. 44  
Mt. Airy 50, St. Mary's 48  
Fanwood 57, Mt. Airy 48

#### CONSOLATION TOURNAMENT

American 38, West Virginia 35  
New Jersey 35, Kendall 21  
Virginia 45, Rhode Island 39  
Maryland 46, Rome 40  
St. Joseph's 49, American 45  
New Jersey 45, Virginia 28  
St. Joseph's 42, Maryland 31  
Western Penna. 39, New Jersey 34  
St. Mary's 36, St. Joseph's 34  
St. Mary's 63, Western Penna. 41

**Editor's Note:** It has come to our attention that Fanwood won another basketball tournament March 10, in White Plains, N. Y. It won the Class B championship in the private and parochial tourney. There were 14 teams in the meet. Class A were the teams with 200 to 1,000 boys in their high schools and Class B were the teams with less than 200 boys in their high schools. Fanwood, of course, fell in the Class B since it has less than 100 of high school age. It was seeded and had a bye on Monday, played Edgewood high school of Greenwich, Conn., on Wednesday and defeated it, 76 to 53, and played on Friday for the championship, edging St. Mary's high school of Kotonah, N. Y., 45 to 44. Tommy Lorello made the all-tourney team.



Above: New York School for Deaf. Back row: Supt. Bradford, Steve Satterday, John Castrese, Mgr. Robert Whiting, Capozzi, Hugo Guidi, Coach Paul T. Kennedy. Front row: Edward Matthews, William Malone, Everett Trochelman (Capt.), Thomas Lorello, Ralph Epstein, Sheldon Plavsky, Robert Mullally. Not in photo: Frank Sheldone.

### Results of AAAD Basketball Tournaments

#### NEW YORK STATE

Fanwood Alumni, 46; Union League, 27  
Rochester, 46; Brooklyn, 40  
Buffalo, 42; Long Island, 26  
Bronx, 39; Naismith, 35  
Fanwood Alumni, 55; Rochester, 42  
Buffalo, 61; Bronx, 34  
Bronx, 39; Rochester, 27 (3rd place)  
Fanwood Alumni, 53; Buffalo, 45 (Final)

#### PENNSYLVANIA STATE

Philadelphia HAD, 39; New Kensington, 9  
Beaver Valley, 39; Erie, 31  
Philadelphia HAD, 39; Lancaster, 33  
Pittsburgh, 61; Beaver Valley, 19  
Erie, 27; New Kensington, 24 (5th place)  
Lancaster, 38; Beaver Valley, 34 (3rd place)  
Pittsburgh, 70; Philadelphia HAD, 50 (Final)

#### NEW JERSEY STATE

Newark, 62; Paterson, 58 (Overtime)  
Camden, 54; Paterson, 52 (Overtime)  
Newark, 68; Camden, 58

#### OHIO STATE

Columbus, 50; Dayton, 35  
Cleveland AD, 55; Cleveland DC, 15  
Akron, 49; Youngstown, 22  
Dayton, 51; Cleveland DC, 29  
Columbus, 61; Cleveland AD, 36  
Cleveland AD, 28; Youngstown, 17  
Dayton, 64; Cleveland AD, 51 (3rd place)  
Akron, 36; Columbus, 28 (Final)

#### WISCONSIN STATE

Milwaukee, 61; Delavan, 47

#### INDIANA STATE

South Bend, 49; Indianapolis, 25  
South Bend, 56; Indianapolis, 41

#### MICHIGAN STATE

Community Center, 44; Toronto, 29  
Detroit, 61; Community Center, 49 (Final)

#### ILLINOIS STATE

Joliet, 33; Chicago, 22  
Southtown, 41; Rockford, 33  
Chicago, 45; Rockford, 39 (3rd place)  
Southtown, 75; Joliet, 46

#### NEW ENGLAND FINALS

Worcester, 34; Hartford, 32  
Holyoke, 38; Providence, 31  
Worcester, 54; Bridgeport, 39  
Holyoke, 40; Boston, 29  
Providence, 58; Hartford, 31  
Boston, 45; Bridgeport, 36  
Providence, 46; Boston, 39 (3rd place)  
Worcester, 42; Holyoke, 31 (Final)

#### FARWEST FINALS

Tucson, 31; Oakland, 25  
Hollywood, 42; Vancouver, 18  
Boise, 29; Salt Lake City, 24

Los Angeles, 57; San Francisco, 15  
Oakland, 41; Vancouver, 18

Salt Lake City, 33; San Francisco, 31 (Overtime)

Hollywood, 28; Tucson, 21

Los Angeles, 38; Boise, 20

Oakland, 59; Salt Lake City, 34 (4th place)

Tucson, 46; Boise, 24 (3rd place)

Los Angeles, 54; Hollywood, 25 (Final)

#### SOUTHEAST FINALS

Spartanburg, 57; Baltimore Oriole, 34

Baltimore Youth, 46; Atlanta, 28

Winston-Salem, 44; Richmond, 31

Spartanburg, 32; Baltimore Youth, 29

Baltimore Oriole, 40; Atlanta, 24

Richmond, 51; Baltimore Youth, 36

Richmond, 37; Baltimore Oriole, 32 (3rd place)

Spartanburg, 36; Winston - Salem, 34 (Final)

#### MIDWEST FINALS

Omaha, 39; St. Louis, 29

Kansas City, 49; Wichita, 20

Des Moines, 58; Council Bluffs, 30

St. Louis, 62; Wichita, 33

Kansas City, 45; Omaha, 33

Des Moines, 48; Denver, 38

Council Bluffs, 51; St. Louis 24 (5th place)

Denver, 50; Omaha, 25 (3rd place)

Des Moines, 51; Kansas City, 44 (Final)

#### SOUTHWEST FINALS

Houston, 70; Jackson, 14

Little Rock, 75; Baton Rouge, 39

Baton Rouge, 42; Jackson, 35 (3rd place)

Little Rock, 81; Houston, 72 (Final)

#### EASTERN FINALS

Pittsburgh, 59; Philadelphia SAC, 33

Newark, 64; Fanwood Alumni, 40

Fanwood Alumni, 51; Philadelphia SAC, 49 (Overtime)

Newark, 52; Pittsburgh, 51

Philadelphia SAC, 58; Newark, 57 (Over-time)

Pittsburgh, 39; Fanwood Alumni, 32

#### Play-Off

Pittsburgh, 44; Newark, 29

#### CENTRAL FINALS

Milwaukee, 48; Detroit, 36

Flint, 36; Akron, 34

Milwaukee, 44; Southtown, 42

Flint, 41; South Bend, 40

South Bend, 33; Detroit, 15

Southtown, 67; Akron, 61

South Bend, 58; Southtown, 45 (3rd place)

Milwaukee, 60; Flint, 52 (Final)

# The OPEN FORUM

Conducted by EMERSON ROMERO

## Clipping

"I have been reminded that we are making a mistake when we give publicity to the financial returns of peddling."—Stahl Butler, in *The Cavalier*, (March).

(Conductor's Note: The Open Forum's ego was considerably deflated when Mr. Butler forgot to remember who "reminded" him.)

## Letters—Peddling

"I agree with you we have been going about it the wrong way. Excessive publicity to the earning power of a beggar-peddler has resulted adversely in the positive growth of the peddling racket."

—Arnold Daulton, Ohio.

"I like your stand on peddling. You don't exactly approve of it, and yet you feel, . . . like the poor it will always be with us."

"How I wish Mr. Daulton and his committee for the suppression of peddling could come down to Arkansas and get a glimpse of the number of unemployed here—men with mouths to feed and no money to feed them with. I just don't have it in my heart to condemn these men when, after months of struggling with their conscience, they take to peddling. I have been loud in my protests against peddling, but I know that to solve a problem you must get to the root of it. Get our Arkansas peddlers jobs! I'll bet my last nickel there wouldn't be any peddling in our town then."—Charlotte Collums, Arkansas.

(Note: Mrs. Collums stated exactly how The Open Forum feels about the situation. If those who oppose peddling would go hungry for a few days they would think twice before denouncing it so vehemently.

The Forum is willing to bet its last nickel that Mr. Daulton and his committee will not attempt to castigate the legitimate peddlers by punitive measures, but will devote attention to the beggars.)

"Am I to believe that the feeble-minded peddler you mentioned in THE SILENT WORKER has the money sense to save and spend his \$2,500 to \$3,500? Most likely someone else has been a mighty parasite on all of his earnings."—Carl B. Smith, Michigan.

(Note: 1) To save, no. If you earned \$3,500 a year and your living expenses amounted to \$3,500, could you save anything? 2) Whether the boy spends the money himself on his expenses or the boss pays for them, is not the point. It costs money to live, whether one is feeble-minded or not. The boy doesn't just exist. 3) Perhaps this boy's boss is a parasite; perhaps he is a very fine fellow. Edward Noble's letter to *The Cavalier* (March) spoke well of four boss peddlers.)

Items on this page reflect the opinions of the writers. They are not necessarily the opinions of THE SILENT WORKER. Readers are invited to send contributions to Emerson Romero, 29 Cedar Ave., Farmingdale, New York.

"The schools for the deaf are also getting the blame for turning out too many peddlers. Reason, and the ability to think clearly, must be instilled into the minds of children."—Ethel Lau, Iowa.

(Note: The Forum begs leave to disagree with Mrs. Lau. The schools are not to blame; they certainly do not turn out any peddlers. If The Forum were to put the blame on anyone, it would be on the alumni of these schools. "A school is only as strong as its alumni," said a famed educator. It is a well-known fact that the boss peddlers attend graduation exercises at many schools and try to lure the graduates into the peddling racket. The bosses show the young boys clippings from various papers of the deaf, which tell of the large daily or weekly earnings of the peddlers. If the alumni who are on the editorial staffs of these papers stop this kind of publicity, they might make some headway in curbing the peddlers. And if the alumni who attend the graduation exercises saw to it that boss peddlers were kept off the campus, they might also help. Tell them to be alert.)

## Parliamentary Laws

"After reading your Open Forum in the February SILENT WORKER on Parliamentary Laws, I believe it should be compulsory for schools to teach the fundamentals of such rules and practice in the students' final semester. After graduation, the students will benefit any organization. We need more new members with new ideas." — Constantino L. Marchinoe, California.

"Your article (on Parliamentary Laws) should be framed and employed by deaf organizations everywhere. It is a splendid idea."—Jock Eberhart, California.

"That was a very fine write-up on Parliamentary Laws. I hope to see another very soon." — Herbert Carroll, New York.

(Note: You may.)

## \$600 Exemption

"I agree with you that *The Cavalier* should have kept its nose a little cleaner and not professed to speak for all of us without due process of pooling our opinions. Not that I agree wholly that the exemption would raise the standard of the deaf; for that matter, neither would it lower us in anyone's esteem. I would profess that the bill be passed and those who want the exemption, take it . . . or pay it if it suits their vanity.

I know there are a great many deaf who could use the exemption. Why shouldn't the deaf receive some benefits, either here or there? For the most part, they are handicapped in the sense that they are denied certain inalienable rights in employment. They are 'restricted.' They are, for the most part, underpaid and imposed upon . . . aye . . . even by their deaf employers."—Jock Eberhart.

In all due fairness, it must be pointed out that THE SILENT WORKER'S nose is in the same condition as that of *The Cavalier*, by Mr. Eberhart's standards. In an editorial, "Charity Not Wanted," July, 1949, the magazine adopted the same stand in relation to the Langer bill.—Ed.

(Note: Mervin D. Garretson submitted the germ of a wonderful idea. He proposes an exemption for the deaf whereby the cash value of the exemption (approximately \$102) would be earmarked for something that would benefit the deaf, such as Gallaudet College, since the college receives such meager appropriations from the Federal government. The Open Forum intends to spread the germ of this idea.)

We would like to remind our readers that THE SILENT WORKER cannot print anonymous letters. Names of writers will be withheld from publication upon request, but they must be affixed to the original letters.

We are in receipt of an anonymous letter from the New York area. Although we cannot publish the letter in its entirety, its substance is that New Yorkers feel the magazine is devoting too much space to features concerning Western residents, and too little to Easterners.

The editorial staff has spent much time in futile efforts to secure articles and news from Eastern states.

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